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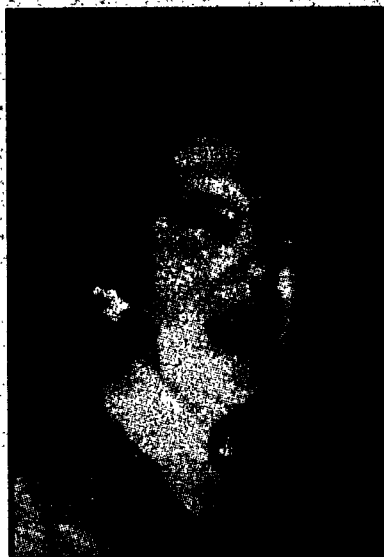
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Pilgrimage celebrates golden anniversary

(See related story, page 3A)
BY BETSY GAGNET

For over 50 years the Bay-Waveland Garden Club has celebrated spring by participating in a Gulf Coast Pilgrimage.

This year marks the 50th anniversary of the Annual Pilgrimage, which was first



Mrs. Leo Seal Sr.

held in 1939 by the Bay-Waveland Garden Club along with other communities along the coast.

Held in connection with the Pilgrimage is a Floral Exposition, this year dedicated to the late Mrs. Leo Seal, Sr., a founder and life-time member of the Bay-Waveland Garden Club.

As part of this year's 50th anniversary Pilgrimage, a special historical exhibit will be displayed at the Bay-Waveland Garden Center featuring 48 scrap books, pictures, and programs and maps from the early years.

Lynn Nybo, a past president of the Bay-Waveland Garden Center, is working on the historical exhibit, which she says has special significance because of the dedication to Seal. "I was privileged to know (Seal) for about 8 years," Nybo said. "She was a very gracious



Pictured are hostesses in the garden of Mrs. Walter Gex, Jr. during a garden tour to entertain officers of the Garden Clubs of Mississippi in April 1947. The tour was in connection with the state convention held in Biloxi. Standing (l-r) Mary Helen Curran, Clyde Crighton, Jean

Pritchard, Virginia Seal, Jeanne Arceneaux, Merle Radford, Gaynel Gex, Alta Mae Williams. Seated (l-r) Mrs. A.P. Smith and Mrs. Omer Debever (nee Mrs. Walter Gex, Jr.), Pat Robin, Mary Francis Scaffidi. Except for the two hostesses seated on left, maiden names are used.

and generous lady. She was very civic minded."

The local garden club held its first meeting in September 1938 and had 19 charter members.

The first pilgrimage in the Bay-Waveland area was called the Waveland-Bay St. Louis garden tour and featured the gardens of several area homes, including the Pirate House, then owned by Mrs. Edmond Singreen.

Located on Beach Boulevard, the house was built in 1802 by a New Orleans busi-

nessman allegedly the overlord of the Gulf Coast pirates.

According to one legend, a secret tunnel led from the house to the waterfront.

During that first pilgrimage breakfast was served at the Pirate House for three consecutive days and Bay-Waveland Garden Club records show 571 people were fed.

Located on the Waveland side of Whispering Pines Street, the house was destroyed in Hurricane Camille.

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Spring Pilgrimage Schedule

March 11-13 - Floral & Horticultural Exposition
USM Gulf Park, Long Beach

March 14 - Pass Christian, Morning tour- 9 a.m.-1 p.m.; Midday tour- 12 noon-4 p.m.; Afternoon tour- 1-5 p.m.

March 19 - Diamondhead, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

March 20 - Bay St. Louis/Waveland, Morning tour- 10 a.m.-1 p.m.; Afternoon tour- 1-4 p.m.

Garbage fee deadbeats anger Seymour

BY ED LEPOMA

In one of his strongest statements since being elected to the Hancock County Board of Supervisors, Steve Seymour says it's time to get tough on rural residents refusing to pay a monthly fee for weekly garbage pickup.

"Something has got to be

done," a frustrated Seymour told fellow supervisors at their monthly board meeting last Wednesday.

The outburst came after County Administrator and Chancery Clerk Tim Kellar reported bills in arrears now total a whopping \$485,000 and the amount is climbing.

Seymour said he talked with a supervisor from Forrest County in Hattiesburg, "And, they don't have a problem."

"They contracted with Browning-Ferris. They pick up the garbage, do the recycling, bill and collect from customers," said Seymour. "This system we've got is terrible."

He said Kellar fields 15 to 20 calls a day from rural residents who cite one reason or another why they shouldn't be billed the monthly \$5 garbage pickup fee.

"He shouldn't have to be doing this," said Seymour, who represents the Kiln community and other rural areas in Han-

cock County.

Seymour suggested supervisors get together with members of the Hancock County Solid Waste District to investigate whether the board can renegotiate its contract with Boudin's Waste and Recycling

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GRPC seeks highway funds

(See related story, page 3A)
BY ED LEPOMA

The Gulf Regional Planning Commission has formally asked the Mississippi Congressional delegation to try to persuade Congress to include several "demonstration projects" on the coast in the event \$20 billion in Highway Trust

Funds are reauthorized.

The GRPC requests continued funding or a greater level of funding for several projects. Requests were made for greater funding for roads and bridges needed in industrial areas of Jackson, Harrison and

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Waveland bond money discussed

BY RICHARD MEEK

Waveland's aging sewage system will receive a much-needed facelift with money from a recently issued \$1.25 million bond.

The Board of Aldermen discussed their options for use of the bond money at a workshop on Wednesday night, and it was generally agreed a large chunk would be dedicated to

improving and repairing the city's 40-year-old sewage system. Also, some monies will be used to continue a comprehensive paving program begun last year.

The aldermen have already approved spending \$250,000 of the bond to retire a short-term note on a fire truck purchase.

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OBITUARY

MARGARET DYE WALTER HUNDL EMMA L. VAN PESKI

MARGARET DYE
Mrs. Margaret Dye, 86, of Diamondhead, died Tuesday, March 4, 1997, in Diamondhead.

Mrs. Dye was sent from Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis to Memphis Memorial Park Funeral Home in Memphis, Tenn., for services and burial.

WALTER HUNDL
Walter Hundl, 60, of Diamondhead, died Tuesday, March 4, 1997, in Bay St. Louis. Mr. Hundl was a native of Hilji, Texas, and a member of St. Stephen Catholic Church in DeLisle. He was employed at Dupont from 1960 until his retirement in 1991. He worked in Victoria, Texas, Cape Fear, N.C., Corpus Christi, Texas, and DeLisle as production supervisor. He was a Navy veteran.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Tom and Esther Koehl Hundl; and two brothers, Edgar Hundl and Milton Hundl.

Survivors include his wife, Georgie M. Hundl of Diamondhead; three sons, Michael Hundl of Corpus Christi, Paul Hundl of Gulfport and Robert Hundl of Diamondhead; three daughters, Karen Rodriguez of San Antonio, Texas, Charlotte Hillini of Corpus Christi and Glenda Kraker of Holland, Mich.; a sister, Lucille Witcher of El Camp, Texas; and 12 grandchildren.

Visitation was Friday evening at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. Services were conducted Saturday at St. Stephen Catholic Church. Burial was in DeLisle Cemetery.

EMMA L. VAN PESKI
Emma L. Van Peski, 84, of Bay St. Louis, died Thursday, March 6, 1997, in Gulfport.

Mrs. Van Peski was a native of New Orleans and a longtime resident of Bay St. Louis. She was a member of Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church in Bay St. Louis.

She was preceded in death by her husband, A. C. Fred Van Peski; and a brother, Rosendo Jurado.

Survivors include sons Fred A. Van Peski, Rosendo C. Van Peski, Republic of Panama, Roberto F. Van Peski and daughter-in-law Jean Necaise of Bay St. Louis; a daughter, Martha L. Van Peski of Bay St. Louis and longtime family friend, Marilyn E. Brumfield of Bay St. Louis; brothers, Guillermo Jurado Selles and Ricardo Jurado, both of Republic of Panama; sisters, Josefa Alegre, Oelia Gonzalez, Yolanda Vargas and Elsie Smith, all of Republic of Panama; and Ligia E. Howard, Glendale, Calif.; seven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be Monday, March 10 from 1-2 p.m. at Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis, followed by services at 2 p.m. at the funeral home chapel.

The family prefers memorials to National Kidney Foundation of Mississippi, 2640 Riverhills Drive, Suite 101, Jackson, MS 39216, 1-800-622-9010.

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Vandals strike Rotten Bayou Cemetery again

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS
Nestled on a white sandy hill surrounded by piney woods located on the fringes of the Diamondhead Community sits St. Joseph's Rotten Bayou Cemetery.

The cemetery's 40 acres were deeded to Hancock County by the descendants of Francois Cuevas, a son of Juan Cuevas, one of the coast's pioneer families.

The cemetery, with grave sites fenced and always clean, has been in use over 100 years to bury the ancestors of many of the area's pioneer families. But on Friday, the cemetery was once again desecrated.

Hancock County Sheriff's De-

puty Billy Moran responded to a call Friday after receiving a report that several headstones and flower vases had been vandalized.

Moran, upon arriving at the cemetery, found several members of families with loved ones entered to their last resting place in tears surveying the damages.

Moran, who was later assisted by Deputy Abry Liebig, found two to three dozen burial sites with headstones and granite flower vases broken from their mounts. A few of the headstones and vases were broken beyond repair.

Late Friday evening, depu-

ties dusted for fingerprints and found several dirt bike tracks in the area.

On Saturday, Moran was joined by Deputy Phil Johnson, as they continued the investigation. They were able to locate several footprints in the area of possible suspects.

"We have some very upset people here again this morning, as they see the damages to their family grave sites," Moran said.

Persons with any information which may aid in the investigation are urged to call the sheriff's department at 467-5101.



Vandalism investigated

Hancock County Sheriff's Deputy Billy Moran checks the names on headstones damaged by vandals in the St. Joseph's Rotten Bayou Cemetery late Friday. Moran estimated some two to three dozen family plots were vandalized. (Echo staff photo by Ellis C. Cuevas)

Harvard professor at SSC

S. Allen Counter, PhD, DMSc will present a lecture entitled North Pole Legacy: An Update on March 27 at 1 p.m. in the NASA Visitors Center auditorium.

The presentation focuses on the remarkable discovery of the mixed-race Eskimo children of Rear Admiral Robert E. Peary and Matthew Henson, discoverers of the North Pole.

In 1986, Dr. Counter traveled to the northernmost settlements in Greenland on a scientific mission and found the 80-year-old sons of Rear Admiral Peary and Matthew Henson.

After bringing the existence of these men to international attention, Dr. Counter enabled them to fulfill their life-long dream of visiting birth and resting places of their respective fathers and meeting their American relatives.

Dr. Counter brought Anauk Henson and Kali Peary and members of their families to the U.S. for their first visit on May 29, 1987.

In 1987, Dr. Counter petitioned the President of the United States for permission to

transfer the remains of Matthew A. Henson from Woodlawn Cemetery, N.Y. to his rightful place among other American heroes in Arlington National Cemetery.

In October 1987, the President granted Dr. Counter's request. On April 6, 1988, the 79th anniversary of the North Pole discovery, Matthew Henson and his wife Lucy Ross Henson were reinterred with full military honors and a fitting new monument next to Robert and Josephine Peary in Arlington National Cemetery.

At last, Matthew Henson received proper recognition for his guiding Cmdr. Robert Peary, crippled by frostbite, to a mound of snow and ice on top of the world where, according to Dr. Counter, Henson placed the American flag on April 9, 1909.

With the recent naming of the USNS Henson (T-AGS 63), a multi-purpose oceanographic survey vessel, the U.S. Navy has recognized the contribution Matthew Henson has made not only to Black History but American History as well. The USNS Henson will survey the

world's oceans in exploration for knowledge, much the same as Matthew Henson explored the Arctic regions.

As we celebrate Black History Month nationally, for the 79th year, Dr. Counter's extensive research and knowledge of Matthew Henson and Rear Admiral Robert Peary's expedition enlightens us that the friendship between the two men prescribed success.

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Gulf Coast Limited's final run may be March 31; funds needed

BY ED LEPOMA

Amtrak's Gulf Coast Limited continues its daily run from Mobile to New Orleans while supporters work feverishly behind the scenes to find a way to extend the service beyond the March 31 deadline.

L. Kay Johnson, the former chairman of the Southern Rapid Rail Commission and now city manager in Piquette, went with a delegation to Washington last week to lobby for another federal subsidy that will keep the passenger train operating. Commissioners met with U.S. Sens. Trent Lott and Thad Cochran and U.S. Rep. Gene Taylor. Others from Alabama and Louisiana met with their state Congressional officials.

The message coming out of the meetings was not hopeful

because a federal budget is in place until Oct. 1, and the pressure is mounting for Congress to balance the budget by the year 2002.

Last September when Congress was considering the continuing general appropriations bill, Lott and others managed to get a \$1.5 million subsidy for the Gulf Coast Limited out of \$22.5 million set aside for rail commuter operations. The lion's share went to the more widely used commuter lines in the eastern section of the country.

The subsidy allowed the Gulf Coast Limited to continue operating through March 31.

Now, with a new deadline looming, Johnson said she and others remain hopeful that something might be worked out among Amtrak and the three

states involved in the event no additional federal funds are forthcoming.

Dave White, Amtrak's coordinator of special projects based in New Orleans, has estimated a low of \$1.8 million and a high of \$3.2 million to keep the service running for another year. He said the cost would depend on the number of passenger cars making the daily run and whether food would be served aboard.

Johnson revealed besides a federal subsidy, there have been talks with Amtrak about other things the three states might do to keep the train service, but nothing has jelled.

"One of the things we're considering would be a pledge to upgrade grade crossings in all three states," said Johnson.

"Amtrak would give the states some credit for that since the improvements would be borne by the states but could be considered improvements to the system."

Still others have complained that the service hours aren't exactly conducive to luring daily commuters and getting them to abandon their cars.

The Gulf Coast Limited leaves Mobile daily at 6:30 a.m. with stops along the way in Pascagoula, Biloxi and Gulfport and Bay St. Louis before arriving in New Orleans at 9:40 a.m. It leaves New Orleans each day at 5:45 p.m.

Johnson said there might be an experiment launched in the days remaining whereby the train would leave Mobile about an hour earlier and arrive in New Orleans an hour earlier.

Reception to begin Spring Pilgrimage

BY BETSY GAGNET

The 50th Anniversary Spring Pilgrimage begins March 11 and Mrs. Kirk Fordice, Honorary Chairman, will be at the Depot in Bay St. Louis at a reception for special invited guests.

The reception is planned for Bay-Waveland Garden Club members, local officials and invited guests with refreshments provided by Casino Magic and the Hancock County Tourism Development Bureau.

The Pilgrimage events begin with a three-day Floral and Horticultural Exposition entitled "Flowers by the Sea."

The Expo will be held on the USM campus in Long Beach.

The Pilgrimage begins on March 13 with homes in Pass Christian scheduled for tour on Friday, March 14.

The morning tour, from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. includes three homes, the Pineville Presbyterian Church and the USM Huckleberry Hill Arboretum. The midday tour from noon-4 p.m. features several churches and the Pass Christian Historical Society as well as the rose garden of a private home.

The Pass afternoon tour from 1-5 p.m. features three private homes.

The Pass Christian Headquarters are Valentino's/Blue Skies Gallery and Lynda's Cookery.

March 19 is the big day for Diamondhead, featuring seven homes as well as the Diamondhead Yacht Club, all from the hours of 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

The Diamondhead Community Center will serve as

headquarters.

On March 20, Bay St. Louis and Waveland welcome visitors to eight area homes as well as to the Bay-Waveland Garden Center and the Old Town Bay St. Louis Merchants Association Hospitality Center.

Included in the morning tour from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. is the Bay Waveland Garden Center, which will feature a welcome coffee, complete with hostesses in antebellum dress.

"It's an old fashioned coffee," said Chairman Petie Hyman. "A lot of tours do not do that anymore."

From 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m. visitors can tour the gardens of Melinda and Jack Richard.

From 10 a.m.-1 p.m. the home of Carter Church and Yancy Pogue as well as the

McCandless home are available for tours.

Beachwood Hall may be seen from 9 a.m.-noon.

The afternoon tour is from 1-4 p.m. and includes four homes.

Hyman said several of the homes on the tour will offer refreshments.

"Most of our homeowners do a little extra—punch, cookies, pralines or coffee," Hyman said. "They almost all go that extra mile."

Additionally, refreshments will be offered by the Old Town Merchants Association at the Hospitality Center from 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

The city of Bay St. Louis will hang a 50th Anniversary banner in honor of the Pilgrimage.

Hyman said a lot of work has gone into planning the Pilgrimage, which she hopes demonstrates the charm and hospitality of the community.

"We've tried to get a really good mix of how we live on the Coast," she said. "We have worked long and hard and would like to have the community come and enjoy it."

GRPC presents 'Wish List'

BY ED LEPOMA

Here is a brief summary of projects on the "Wish List" which the Gulf Regional Planning Commission presented last week to Mississippi Senators Trent Lott and Thad Cochran and 5th District U.S. Rep. Gene Taylor:

—Funding for improvements to industrial roads leading into and out of industrial ports in Hancock County, Gulfport and Jackson County's Bayou Casotte port area.

—A high-rise bridge over U.S. Hwy. 90 in Jackson County to promote future growth of the lower riverfront industrial areas along the Pascagoula and Escatawpa rivers. The GRPC recommends widening from two to four lanes the state Route 611/Industrial Road to accommodate anticipated growth.

—A proposed multimodal (transit) east/west corridor adjacent and parallel to the existing CSX railroad tracks in Har-

ison County.

—A north/south corridor linking both Keesler Air Force Base in Biloxi and the Navy Seabee base in Gulfport to Interstate 10.

—The six-laning of Interstate 110 over the north Bay of Biloxi to accommodate traffic congestion anticipated by the opening of the Imperial Palace casino on Back Bay and the Beau Rivage mega casino at the exit of I-110 on the beach in Biloxi.

—The widening of the bridge over U.S. 90 to Ocean Springs from four to six lanes to improve the flow from traffic generated by six casinos on the eastern edge of Biloxi. Projected traffic studies show there is also a need to widen U.S. 90 from six to eight lanes between Oak and Myrtle Streets in Biloxi and to widen the U.S. 90 intersection at Washington Avenue in Ocean Springs from six to eight lanes.

—The use of the existing CSX

line to accommodate high-speed rail from New Orleans (and perhaps Houston) to Jacksonville, Fla.

Additional funding request were made to finance sewerage, drainage and water system improvements in the more rural areas of the coastal region; to help establish the Wade Guice National Hurricane Museum; to fund juvenile detention and mental health facilities and services; and to finance port and airport improvements.

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"CUEVAS' QUOTES"

By Ellis C. Cuevas

This message is for those of you who may not have had an opportunity to graduate from high school for some reason or the other.

There are openings at the Hancock County Adult Education program sponsored by the Hancock Library System.

The program is based at the Waveland Library Literacy Center on Coleman Avenue.

The program is geared to assist participants in reading, writing and mathematics.

Tutors work with students on a one-on-one basis or in the classroom setting.

There are several openings in the night classes, which are held on Monday and Thursday evenings.

For further information contact Donna Hutchings, program coordinator at 467-9240.

The weather has been so pretty on Thursday and Friday, it almost made me want to take a quick holiday. It was sure good to see sunshine two days in a row, since we have had so much soggy weather this year.

Things are really beginning to stir for the annual Mississippi Gulf Coast Council of Garden Clubs Pilgrimage.

Activities officially begin on Tuesday with a reception at the Bay St. Louis Depot.

The reception is for honorary chairman, Mrs. Kirk Fordice, First Lady of Mississippi, in celebration of the 50th Anniversary Spring Pilgrimage and Floral Exposition.

This will be followed by the opening ceremonies at USM Gulf Park, Long Beach.

Chairman for the Pilgrimage is Mrs. John Burgess with Mrs. Donald Wilson as co-chairman.

Pass Christian's pilgrimage is Friday, March 14; Diamondhead's Wednesday, March 19; and Bay-Waveland, Thursday, March 20.

I hope to see you at some of this year's festivities.

FROM THE STATE AUDITOR

Qs & As
By Phil Bryant

31, 1997)

SCHOOLS

Q May a school district deny textbooks to students who owe for books from the previous year?

A If the school district has such language in a document signed by parents, guardians, or custodians, then there is a contractual agreement and as a term of the contract the child may not be issued further textbooks if payment is not received for lost or damaged books. If this or similar language is not adopted in the process, then textbooks may not be denied. (Attorney General's opinion to Johnson dated Jan. 10, 1997)

Q May a school board member waive or refuse his/her salary or per diem?

A Yes. If such election is made, it should be entered on the minutes of the board and such election would be binding upon the member for as long as stipulated. (Attorney General's opinion to Bordis dated November 1, 1996)

Q Is a school district advisory committee to the Board of Trustees a public body which must comply with the Open Meetings Act as set out in Mississippi Code Annotated Section 25-41-1 et seq. (1972)?

A Yes. (Attorney General's opinion to Atkinson dated Jan.

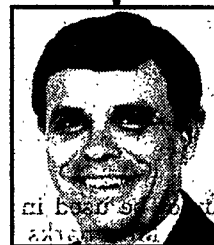
Q Can a school district garnish the wages of parents whose children owe for textbooks from the previous year?

A If the school district obtains a judgement, then the Justice Court has the power to issue a writ of garnishment. (Attorney General's opinion to Johnson dated Jan. 10, 1997)



Bay-Waveland Garden Center

This photo was taken in 1963 of Bay-Waveland Garden Club House on Leonhard Avenue, Bay St. Louis, which was known as the Old Taylor School building. The Mississippi Gulf Coast Council of Garden Clubs will celebrate its 50th Anniversary Pilgrimage March 11-22, 1997. A Floral and Horticultural Exhibition is dedicated to Mrs. Leo Seal Sr., a resident of Bay St. Louis, and all the women who have preserved the tradition of hospitality and community service along the Coast. March 11 begins this year's festivities. Those in photo from left are, Mrs. Hilaire Odgen, 1962-63 president; and Mrs. Herbert Baron, recording secretary. The Bay-Waveland Garden Club Center will once again be the headquarters for the annual Spring Pilgrimage for the Bay-Waveland area on March 20. (Photo courtesy of the archives of the Bay-Waveland Garden Club.) The Echo welcomes photos older than 25 years for publication. They will be returned to their owners.



FROM THE MISSISSIPPI HOUSE

By Representative
J.P. Compretta

A weekly summary

Local schools would get another massive infusion of state funds in future years under a new education financing plan endorsed by the House of Representatives.

Dubbed the Mississippi Adequate Education Program (MAEP), the bill is an effort to provide sufficient funds to local school district to help them obtain at least a satisfactory level of accreditation — or Level III status — as established by the Department of Education. The new money would be in addition to other state funds already going to the schools.

All school district would receive increased funding with larger amounts going to schools in less affluent areas, based on a formula that includes such factors as average daily attendance, various add-on costs, and at-risk students as determined by the number of pupils in the federal free school lunch program.

The extra funding would be phased in over a six-year period, beginning July 1998 with a first-year cost of approximately \$115 million and an additional \$115 million a year when fully implemented. The legislation is a revised version of the MAEP proposal passed earlier by the Senate, and is likely to be referred to a six-member conference committee to thrash out House-Senate differences.

The House rejected a hotly debated amendment that would have required Mississippi teacher salaries to be increased to the Southeastern average upon full implementation of the MAEP plan. The amendment was initially approved by later reconsidered and defeated.

Education was among the priority issues during the week as the 90-day session entered its third month. The Legislature has completed work on a growing number of bills, while many others have been approved by both chambers but

measures.

The House gave final legislative approval to a bill to expand home- and community-based services under the Medicaid program to include recipients in all 82 counties.

The services already are offered in 16 counties on a pilot basis.

Other bills gaining final passage would authorize a new tuition assistance plan for needy college students who meet certain qualifications; more clearly define the duties of financial advisors named to assist local school district having financial problems;

Establish a mandatory drug testing program for Department of Correction employees; extend a law creating a teacher recruitment center within the Department of Education, removing an automatic repealer that had been placed in the act; delete an automatic repealer on a law creating the Mississippi Commission for Volunteer Service, enacted in 1996 to promote community service and involvement in government.

Authorize local economic development district to hire engineers, attorneys, real estate appraisers and others as necessary to carry out their duties; and enable state agencies to contract for the lease-purchase of energy efficiency services and equipment.

A list of the bills introduced in the House can be found at the City-County Library on Hwy. 90 in Bay St. Louis.

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FROM THE MISSISSIPPI SENATE

By State Senator
Scottie Cuevas

Married couples' tax break bill heads for Governor's signature

Senators gave final approval to a tax break for married couples beginning in 1998 and the Governor was expected to sign it into law Monday, March 3.

Senate Bill 2165, aimed at eliminating the so-called "marriage penalty," is expected to return about \$165 in taxes per year to couples after the phased-in measure takes full effect in the year 2000.

On Friday, Welfare Reform's temporary financial assistance part gained Senate approval and heads to the Governor's desk. The plan puts new federal mandates into state law, along with decisions on how the state will carry out its responsibilities. Also set are a 60-month lifetime limit on receiving benefits and a 24-month deadline for aid recipients to secure a job, with a few exceptions.

Floor action increased last week as the Senate worked on spending bills, which would die if not passed last week. Committee work also quickened as the Tuesday, March 4, deadline loomed for their action on House bills and constitutional amendments.

The Senate has until the end of March 12 to pass these House measures or they will die. The House is under the same deadlines to work on Senate bills and constitutional amendments.

CAPITOL COMPLEX—on Tuesday, the Senate spent several hours debating a wide range of appropriations bills — from funding state agencies to community colleges and support for arts festivals.

One bill, which hit a temporary snag, was S.B. 3178 to issue some \$190-million in general obligation bonds to construct and renovate property around the New Capitol to house state offices, the courts, and various state agencies. Included in the proposal was the possible purchase of the Mississippi College School of Law and the abandoned King Edward Hotel property in downtown Jackson.

Although supporters of the project say the bonds can be retired by rents from state agencies to be housed within the complex, opponents argued that they did not have sufficient information about the plan to agree to commit such large resources.

Passage of two amendments paved the way for Senate acceptance of the project — one to require specific legislative action if the King Edward property were recommended for purchase and the second to remove plans for underground legislative offices and a tunnel connecting with the State Capitol Building.

Community and junior college faculty got a boost from the S.B. 3135 appropriation of \$7-million, which will provide salary increases to bring the average faculty wage to midway between university and secondary levels. The bill also provided other funds for capital improvements, technology, nursing education, vo-tech programs and staff health insurance.

OTHER BOND BILLS—other approved general obligation bond bills included \$7.5-million for a new state psychiatric hospital in Lamar County, \$3-million to build a

Center for Marine Sciences at the Stennis Space Center, \$12-million for facility improvements at Oakley and Columbia training schools, \$10.2-million for Educational Television improvements and \$170-million for capital improvements divided as \$50-million to community colleges and \$120-million to universities for projects expected across several years.

Northwest Mississippi electric power production and transmission was the object of S.B. 3084. The bill proposes to provide up to \$25-million in general obligation bonds to develop infrastructure for an electrical power plant in Panola County to be fueled by natural gas. According to the bill, the project developer's initial investment would be no less than \$250-million.

S.B. 3105 also provides \$2.8-million for the Lynn Meadows Discovery Center in Gulfport and \$2.6-million to develop a children's museum in the old National Guard Armory near the Mississippi Coliseum in Jackson.

Lengthy debate occurred on House Bill 1409, which sought to allow state-chartered banks to provide the same services as nationally-chartered banks — specifically to sell insurance. The proposal ultimately passed on a voice vote after lengthy questioning by senators with insurance expertise.

An amendment, which was defeated, would have required branch banks to post as received payments on mortgages and loans instead of waiting until the payments were received in bank home offices. Senators voted to designate funds for several cultural projects through the state Department of Economic and Community Development including:

— \$500,000 to the Biloxi Tricentennial Commission for a year-long celebration of the 300th anniversary of D'Iberville's landing on the Gulf Coast. The money is to be repaid if the commission collects more funds than it needs, according to an amendment.

OTHER ACTION—Among the House bills approved by committees last week were those to require a statewide voter registration list to be maintained by the Secretary of State; to shorten the time for approving gun permit applications; to require hearing testing of newborns by hospitals; and to require a justice court judge to reside in the district he or she seeks to serve.

A number of commendatory resolutions also were passed in the Senate.

The Senate welcomed and heard brief remarks from Third District Congressman Chip Pickering, whose father Charles was among the several dozen former senators recognized during the 9th annual Senate Reunion.

If you have opinions about these issues or anything else, please let me know. I appreciate the opportunity to represent you in the State Capitol.

During the Legislative Session, Sen. Cuevas can be reached by calling 601-359-3770 or by writing to: Mississippi Senate, P.O. Box 1018, Jackson MS 39215.

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SPORTS

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Bruisers split pair in Slidell

Last Sunday, the Deep South Bruisers traveled to Slidell to compete against Mandeville and Slidell. In the first game against Mandeville, Michael Bourgeois gave the Bruisers all the scoring they needed when he attacked down the right side of the field and deftly placed the ball out of reach of the keeper in the upper left hand corner.

The defense held strong throughout the match with Beau Brodtmann, Jeremy Boelte, Trey Treutel, Michael Kivlan and Jake Johnson stopping any advances by the opposition. They were successfully backed up by Eric Lymuel and Timmy Kulikowski who shared duties in the goal.

The second game, played on a field that was muddy to start with and even worse after the first game, was a trial of wills. Slidell struck first on a breakaway but the Bruisers stormed right back.

Breaking free and heading toward the goal, Grady Wyly was taken down in the box. The ensuing penalty kick was successfully taken by Kyle Lewis.

Also attacking from the front were T. J. Koger, Matt Johnson, Ben Benvenutti, Michael Leonard and Patrick Donohoe. Slidell came back in the second half to score again.

The Bruisers are in action this weekend in the B&B Tournament in Pensacola.



U-8 Soccer standings

| Team | (as of Mar. 3) | Coach | Pts. |
|-------------|----------------|-----------|------|
| Scorpions | 3-0-1 12/6 | Heinold | 29 |
| Big Green | 3-0-0 12/1 | Kivlan | 29 |
| Hot Shots | 2-1-0 8/4 | Bourgeois | 9 |
| Vipers | 1-0-1 5/2 | Gregory | 13 |
| Fireballs | 1-2-0 6/6 | Brettel | 10 |
| Lightning | 1-2-0 1/7 | Hansell | 8 |
| Wildcats | 0-3-1 1/13 | Arrowood | 3 |
| Bay Bombers | 0-3-1 0/6 | Robertson | 3 |

Previous/Next Game

Scorpions def. Hot Shots 4-2/Big Green
Big Green vs. Lightning & Scorpions
Hot Shots lost to Scorpions 2-4
Vipers vs. Fireballs & Bay Bombers
Fireballs vs. Vipers & Wildcats
Lightning vs. Big Green & Hot Shots
Wildcats tied Bay Bombers 0-0/vs. Vipers
Bay Bombers tied Wildcats 0-0/vs. Fireballs

UM Golf Classic

University of Mississippi student Ashlye Stewart wanted to find a way to turn the tragic deaths of five Ole Miss students into a lasting memorial. She may have found it.

The Student Betterment Committee, part of the Ole Miss student government, is sponsoring an April 6 Celebrity Golf Classic in an effort to raise money to fund a leadership scholarship for students on the Oxford campus.

Called the Boyd, Carlson, Eleazer, Estes and Fletcher Memorial Scholarship for Student Leaders, the fund will memorialize Meredith Boyd, Mindy Carlson, Ed Eleazer, Hailey Estes and Sally Fletcher — all Ole Miss students who died during 1996.

Boat safety classes

The District Six office of the Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries, and Parks has released the schedule of additional boat and water safety classes. Classes are available at no charge for anyone desiring to increase knowledge of boat and water safety.

The classes meet new state requirements for persons born after June 30, 1980 and operating a motorboat in Mississippi. The new regulations become effective July 1. All classes last six hours.

Participants are required to attend the entire class and successfully pass a written examination. To register, or to check for seating availability, contact the number given for that class.

For additional information about the classes, the new regulations or the alternative home study boat and water safety course, contact the District Six Field Office of the Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks at 1-800-670-9616.

A class is scheduled in Harrison County March 9, 1-7 p.m. at Red Creek WMA Headquarters, 928-4296.

Plans call for the scholarship to be awarded to a sophomore or junior student or students each year who have demonstrated outstanding leadership at Ole Miss. The recipient must have at least a 2.5 grade-point average. The scholarship is renewable for up to five semesters or until the recipient graduates.

The amount will be set once the endowment is established.

To play in the golf classic, teams of three can sign up in the Student Union or call Stewart at (601) 234-7100. Cost is \$100 per person for students and \$150 per person for non-students.

To view the tournament, tickets can be purchased at the Central Ticket Office in the Student Union or by calling (601) 232-7411. Cost is \$5 for students and \$10 for the public.

Diamondhead Women's Golf results

March 6 Trophy Day

Winner over the field: Amy Swint

First flight: first, Pauline Haas; second, Sylvia Cordon; third, Yanmuy Van Hyning

Second flight: first, Margaret Hill; second, Til Garrison; third, Sam Parkin

Third flight: first, D. Kim; second, Kathy Crouch; third, Marge Millar

Fourth flight: first, Lesley White; second, Mary King; third, Maggie Mac Millan

Fifth flight: first, Joan Weinberg; second, Emilie Abell; third, Eileen Zeringue

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Gymnast sweeps state

Diamondhead gymnast Amanda Dearman, 9, won her overall age group in the recent MRGA state meet in Meridian. Dearman won first place in the vault, balance beam and floor exercises. She won the title with an overall score of 35.05. She trains at Lanier's School of Gymnastics in Gulfport.

Chrisman earns top honors at Great Day at Soccer

Ashley Chrisman won the top spot in the U-14 Girls Division of the annual Great Day of Soccer held recently in Gulfport. Ashley is the daughter of Lori and Mark Chrisman and competes with the Bay Breeze in Division I. She is coached by her mother.

The competition includes the categories of dribbling, juggling, shooting, throw-ins, and kicking for distance. Athletes compete against others in their own age group and are scored individually and as a team however. Division I (Select) teams are not eligible for the team competition.

Other local youths who earned places in the top 10 are Mikki Kenny, 4th place in U-14G, Kara Harshbarger, 6th place in U-12G, Emily Meyers,

7th place in U-12G, Michael Bourgeois, 3rd place in U-12B, Kyle Lewis, 6th place in U-12B, Michael Kivlan, 7th place in U-12B, Jarrod Bourgeois, 8th place in U-12B, Hannah Johnson, 6th place in U-10G, Cheri DeRito, 8th place in U-10G, and Matthew Kivlan, 8th place in U-8B.

Skates banned

Skates, roller blades and skate board cannot be used in the national parks. Most parks, including the Davis Bayou portion of Gulf Islands National Seashore, have very narrow roads.

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'Name Game' campaign helps consumers understand financial planning fees

Q. My wife and I are a middle-income couple planning to retire in 2 to 3 years. We have many questions about investments, insurance, Social Security and taxes.

We have saved a lot in the past several years in preparation for retirement, but we have not developed any investment strategy. We simply put money into an assortment of mutual funds, retirement accounts and bank accounts. I feel our investments could work harder for us if we got some good advice on retirement planning and investing.

We have talked with two insurance representatives, our credit union, our accountant and a stockbroker. The responses we get are one of two: 1) a push to buy that person's product (i.e., insurance policy or that company's mutual funds), or 2) the advisor does not give that type of advice, (i.e., the accountant and credit union don't give investment advice).

The company did offer us an opportunity to talk to a Certified Financial Planner who gave us several good tips unrelated to his products. This experience made us wonder if we should hire an unbiased financial planner, for advice only. I understand that some will work on a fee basis rather than commissions. What do you suggest and how do we find one?

A. Yes, getting good advice now will pay dividends when you retire. If the cost of a financial plan will ever justify itself, it is at this point in your life.

Sorting out where to find the best advice is more difficult. Financial planners and invest-



CONSUMER UPDATE

By Jan Lukens, MBA, CFP
Consumer Money Management Specialist

ment advisors are compensated in a variety of ways, including commission-based, fee and commission, fee-based, fee-offset, and fee-only.

Though it is recognized that commissions pressure the sales representative to generate transactions rather than give advice, commissions are presently the most prevalent form of compensation in the financial services industry. Even with a fee-based financial planner, there may still be some commissioned sales. Beware that you aren't misled by unclear terminology.

Consumers are learning that the way a financial advisor is paid can have a big effect on what the advisor recommends. As a result, the Consumer Federation of America (CFA) and the National Association of Personal Financial Advisors (NAPFA) launched a 1997 campaign called "Don't Get Burned in the Financial Planner Name Game."

The campaign makes available a free 16-page booklet to explain how financial advisors

are compensated. It explains terminology like fee-based and fee-offset, that mean the advisor may receive both fees and commissions.

It tells how to verify the advisor's compensation structure by requesting the advisor's Central Registration Depository (CRD) file through the state securities division (in Mississippi, Secretary of State's office at 1-800-804-6364) and by getting a fax copy of Part II, Form ADV through the Securities and Exchange Commission at fax number 202-628-9001.

"Name Game" campaign details and a listing of "fee-only" financial planners are available through NAPFA at 1-888-FEE-Only or the Web site (<http://www.feeonly.org>).

The NAPFA list names only a few fee-only planners in Mississippi, Louisiana and Alabama. The lack of fee-only planners does not prevent you from getting good advice, there are many highly-qualified, knowledgeable professionals here on the Coast. The consumer must simply realize that advice relating to a product sale from a com-

missioned salesperson must be examined to decide whether it benefits mainly the salesperson or is a mutually beneficial transaction.

Many local advisors offer detailed, computer-generated financial plans. If you purchase one, ask your advisor or a financial planner in his company to review the plan with you and ensure that it fits your specific situation.

Even with a fee-only advisor, you need information on fees. Some fee-only advisors charge an hourly rate or a flat fee; more often a fee is calculated on the percentage of assets being managed by the advisor.

The flat fee may work best for a one-time plan. The percentage of assets is a more typical way of charging for ongoing advice. The percentage amount can vary greatly. Some are as high as 3%, while others are under 1%. The variation may be attributable to the complexity of the plan and the expertise of the advisor, but you have the right to know what you pay.

Whether you decide on fee-only, fee-based, or commissioned financial planning, interview several advisors to find one that meets your needs. Don't be afraid to ask frank questions and expect answers to how they are compensated.

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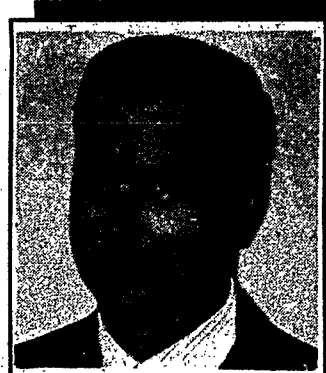
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Taxes, inflation, expenses and return

Would you believe that you can make exceptional profits on paper, yet gradually be losing wealth?

Even though your investments may appear to be providing competitive rates of return, their "real returns" may be much less. Real return is what your investment provides after you consider inflation and taxes.

H. Garrett Thornburg Jr., an investment adviser managing more than \$5 billion in assets, illustrates real return with a hypothetical dollar invested in the Standard & Poor's (S&P) Index of 500 stocks in 1925. Seventy years later, that dollar

would have grown to about \$1,114. Take out inflation, taxes and expenses, however, and that dollar would now be worth about \$27.

Here's another way to illustrate real return: From 1966 through 1995, after deducting taxes, inflation and expenses, the S&P 500 provided an average annual return of about 2 percent.

Part of the reason for this is taxes. When investing in stocks and mutual funds, you pay taxes on your dividends. Your tax rate (along with the inflation rate and any investment expenses) must be factored into the dividend yield to obtain your real return each year.

You also owe taxes if you realize a gain when you sell the investment. If your investment's value has appreciated, you will lose up to 28 percent of that increase to capital gains taxes.

Commissions and annual expenses also reduce your real return, and inflation takes a bite, too. Over the past decade, inflation has averaged 3.47 percent, which is low by historical standards, but it still has a major impact on your investment returns.

What's an investor to do? You can't do much about inflation

(that's the Federal Reserve's job), but you may be able to minimize taxes. If you're in the 28 percent tax bracket or higher, you should consider the advantages of tax-exempt investments, such as tax-free bonds, mutual funds and unit investment trusts.

For example, you can find intermediate-term tax-free bonds paying about 5.1 percent. With inflation at about 3 percent today, your real return (before expenses) is about 2.1 percent — by historical standards, an attractive real return for a conservative investment.

Tax-deferred vehicles are another way to reduce current taxes and improve real returns. With pension and profit-sharing plans, 401(k)s and IRAs, you can invest in higher-paying taxable investments while sheltering them from current taxes.

As baby boomers age, increases in Medicare, Medicaid and Social Security seem imminent — and those increases will likely be paid for with higher taxes. For this reason, it will become even more important for investors to focus on real returns. Tax-free investments can be a good way to achieve higher real returns.

Credit union meeting

Keesler Federal Credit Union announces its 1997 membership meeting. The annual meeting will be at the Mississippi Coast Coliseum and Convention Center Thursday, March 13 at 7 p.m.

Federally chartered in 1947, Keesler Federal Credit Union is observing its 50th anniversary this year. At the annual meeting, the credit union will honor original members, past presidents and long-term employees. Board of director elections will be held, and cash and prizes will be given away.

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Billhimer named GM at Casino Magic BSL

Casino Magic Corp., a Mississippi-based operator and developer of casinos in the U.S. and internationally, has announced the appointment of Joe Billhimer as general manager of their Bay St. Louis property effective April 1.

Billhimer, who is currently the assistant general manager of the company's Bossier City, La., property is no stranger to the Mississippi Gulf Coast. Billhimer was instrumental in opening Magic's Bay St. Louis property, serving as table games manager for four years and as assistant general manager.

"I am very pleased and ex-

cited to have the opportunity to continue to lead Casino Magic-Bay St. Louis into its next phase of growth and achievement," Billhimer said.

"Joe's familiarity with Mississippi gaming operations, the company and the property will be an asset to Casino Magic's continued development," said President and CEO Ed Ernst. Billhimer succeeds Jeff Dahl, who accepted the general manager position at the company's Biloxi property in February.

Casino Magic Corp. operates gaming casinos in Bay St. Louis and Biloxi, Bossier City, La., and Neuquen City and San Martin de los Andes, Argentina.



Grand opening

Talvera Imports recently held its grand opening with a ribbon cutting ceremony. The business, located at 209½ Main Street, Bay St. Louis specializes in Mexican Talvera pottery and polished aluminum pieces. Those in photo are, from left, Bay Councilman Jim Thrifflay, Bay Mayor Eddie Favre, OLG Pastor Pete Mockler, Sherri Floyd, Yolanda Fores, Joanne Kinney and Bay Councilman Charles Scianna. (Echo staff photo by Ellis C. Cuevas)

Whitney completes merger

Whitney Holding Corporation announced it has completed its acquisition of First National Bankshares Inc. Headquartered in Houma, La., First National Bankshares is the parent company of First National Bank of Houma and has assets of approximately \$235 million. It operates four branches in Houma and one in Chauvin, La.

The merger of the two holding companies will be effective immediately. However, First National Bank will not change its name and signs until the two banks merge and First National's date processing system is converted.

"This merger has been well received in the community because so many families and businesses are already familiar with the Whitney," said Jerome H. Mire, who will continue as

President of First National Bank.

Whitney Holding Corporation, with assets of \$4.0 billion, is the parent company of Whitney National Bank, which operates 66 branches in greater New Orleans, Baton Rouge, Lafayette, St. Mary, New Iberia and Terrebonne parishes; Whitney Bank of Alabama, which operates 11 branches in Mobile, Baldwin County and Montgomery; and Whitney National Bank of Florida, which operates five branches in the Pensacola area. Whitney recently announced a definitive merger agreement with Merchants Bankshares Inc. in Gulfport. That acquisition is pending regulatory and shareholder approval.

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| ALPHA HOSPITALITY/ALHY | 1 1/8 | -5/16 |
| AT & T/T | 36 1/8 | -3 3/4 |
| AUTOZONE INC/AZO | 25 1/2 | +3/4 |
| CALGON CARBON/CCC | 11 1/8 | +1/8 |
| CASINO MAGIC/CMAG | 2 1/16 | -7/32 |
| CHEVRON CORP/CHV | 66 1/8 | +1 1/8 |
| COCA COLA/KO | 60 3/8 | -3/8 |
| CSX CORP/CSX | 50 1/8 | +4 3/4 |
| DUPONT/DD | 113 1/8 | +5 1/8 |
| EUROPA CRUISE/KRUZ | 1 11/32 | -1/32 |
| FIRST MISS CORP/FRM | --- | --- |
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| GOODYEAR TIRE/GT | 53 1/8 | +5/8 |
| GRAND CASINO/GND | 10 1/4 | -1/4 |
| HANCOCK HOLDING CO/HBHC | 41 1/4 | -7/8 |
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| INTL PAPER CO/IP | 42 1/2 | +7/8 |
| K MART CORP/KM | 12 1/8 | +1/8 |
| LOCKHEED MARTIN/LMT | 86 1/8 | -1 1/8 |
| MAGNA BANCORP INC/MGNL | 18 1/2 | -1/4 |
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| ROCKWELL INTL CORP/ROK | 68 1/4 | +3 1/2 |
| SOUTHERN COMPANY/SO | 21 3/4 | UNCH. |
| TENNECO INC/TEN | 40 1/4 | +7/8 |
| UNION PLANTERS/UPC | 46 1/2 | +1 1/4 |
| WAL MART STORES/WMT | 27 1/4 | +7/8 |
| WELLMAN INC/WLM | 17 1/8 | -3/8 |

Submitted by Craig Foster, Edward D. Jones Co.

Chamber sponsors business workshop

The University of Southern Mississippi's Small Business Development Center is offering a workshop, "Thinking About Going Into Business?" Tuesday, March 11, 1:30-3:30 p.m. at the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce, Hwy. 90 in Bay St. Louis.

The workshop will cover general start-up information, including licensing, taxes, business planning and financing.

Jill Scaffide, business analyst at the USM Small Business Development Center, will be the instructor.

Co-sponsors are Gulf Coast

Business Technology Center, Greater Biloxi Economic Development Foundation, Hancock County Chamber of Commerce and USM Gulf Coast Continuing Education.

The \$15 fee for the workshop must be paid in advance due to limited seating. To register, mail check made payable to USM SBDC to USM Small Business Development Center, 136 Beach Park Place, Long Beach, MS 39560.

For information, contact the USM Small Business Development Center at 865-4578.

Coastliner service sold to Hotard Coaches

On Feb. 28, Hotard Coaches Inc., a New Orleans based company, purchased Coastliner, a Coast Limousine Service, also known as "Coastliner."

Coastliner has been servicing the Mississippi Gulf Coast for over 30 years with daily airport transportation to Gulf Coast Regional and New Orleans International Airport.

Coastliner, as well as operating nine round trip schedules from the Gulf Coast to New Orleans International daily, has also been in the business of operating motorcoach charters

from the Coast area. Hotard Coaches Inc., a family-owned business in operation for over 35 years also has an office in Baton Rouge and operates Hotard Destination Service — a full service convention planning company, Tours by Andrea — a whole sale tour operator selling hotel packages of New Orleans and the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

Together with the New Orleans Steamboat Company, Hotard also owns and operates Gray Lines Sightseeing of New Orleans.

Picayune to host procurement seminar

The Mississippi Contract Procurement Center and the City of Picayune will host a training and networking session Wednesday, March 12 at the Shoney's Inn on Hwy. 43 and I-59. The program will run from 9:11-3:30 a.m.

Participants will include the U.S. Small Business Administration, the Naval Construction Battalion Center, the South Mississippi Planning and Development District, the City of Picayune, the Minority Busi-

ness Enterprise Division of Wellman of Mississippi Inc., Ingalls Shipbuilding Inc., Johnson Control World Services Inc., System Consultant Association and the Mississippi Contract Procurement Center.

Space is limited. To register or for additional information, call Barbara McGrew with the City of Picayune at (601) 798-9778 or Robert Williams with the Mississippi Contract Procurement Center at (601) 396-1288.

Education group to meet in Columbus

The Mississippi Association of Educational Office Professionals (MAEOP) will host its first annual Professional Development Seminar March 21 at the Plymouth Bluff Center, Columbus.

Workshop speakers and topics include Larry Johnson, "Street Smart Education," Dr. Austin W. Bunch, "Are You Just a Hummer — Or Are You Singing in the Choir?" Dr. Suzanne Bean, "Situational Leadership," and Dr. Patricia Donat, "Stress Management."

The purpose and objectives of the Mississippi Association of Educational Office Professionals is to elevate the standards of the group and through networking, pool ideas and share information. And more information on the seminar and to

For seminar or membership information, contact Sequitta N. Haley, MAEOP vice president and seminar chairman, at Jackson State University (601) 968-2175; Amanda Cox, seminar co-chairman, at Mississippi University for Women (601) 329-7200 or Shirley Sutter, MAEOP president, Pascagoula Municipal Separate School District at (601) 938-6517.

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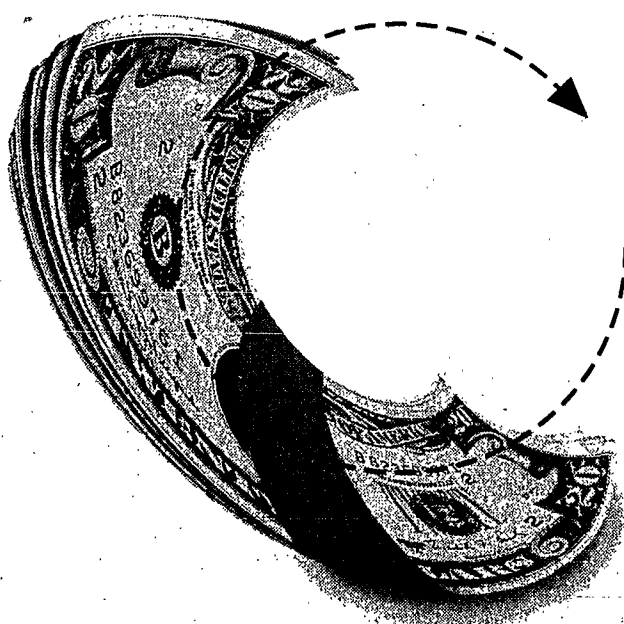
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Golden

In connection with that first Pilgrimage, a three-day floral show sponsored by the Long Beach Garden Club was held at Gulf Park College.

The Bay-Waveland Garden Club records reflect only Bay St. Louis and Waveland participated in what was called the "Old Treasure Tour" in 1940

which was designed to follow the Spring Festival in New Orleans.

For several years thereafter the Pilgrimages were not held due to World War II.

"During that time members participated in a number of activities related to service peo-

ple," Nybo said. "The garden club gave \$500 to the Kings Daughters Hospital (located on Ulman Street) to furnish a three bed ward."

In 1947 The Mississippi Coast Council of Garden Clubs held its Charter meeting with 14 Gulf Coast Garden Clubs

joining. Each year following, a Spring Pilgrimage involving the entire Gulf Coast was held except for the year following Hurricane Camille.

Additionally, a Pilgrimage was planned for 1951, but was cancelled due to the Korean War.

Much of the history can be traced through the volumes of scrapbooks and artifacts preserved by the club beginning in 1938.

Nybo explained that the Bay Waveland Garden Club has more historical artifacts than other clubs along the Coast be-

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cause the club has had a building since 1961.

The Bay-Waveland Garden Center, located at 114 Leonhard Street in Bay St. Louis, is owned by the city.

Originally, meetings were held at members' homes or at Hotel Reed, which served as an information headquarters in the early Pilgrimages.

Several of the scrapbooks clearly show the damage sustained in Hurricane Camille.

"Everything the garden club owned was in the Garden Center when Camille hit," Nybo explained. "You can see the damage. We were very fortunate they (the scrapbooks) survived."

The garden club continues today, still participating in the Pilgrimage which is free and open to the public.

Nybo said there are approximately 39 members in the garden club today.

Garbage

to turn over billings and collections to him.

The board agreed to do so, but did not schedule an immediate meeting, and the unexpected turn of events came as the Solid Waste District was also holding its regular monthly meeting in another building.

Seymour's frustration came to a boil after Board of Supervisors President Philip Moran revealed a local and private bill that would have forced Coast Electric to furnish the county a list of rural customers "was not going to fly" in the current session of the legislature.

Contacted in Jackson on the floor of the House chambers, State Rep. J.P. Compretta said the bill was never introduced. He said Moran and Seymour met with him in Jackson about two weeks ago, along with State

Sen. Scottie Cuevas and State Rep. Dirk Dedeaux.

"They asked us to sponsor such a bill," said Compretta, "but a similar one had failed before, and it was our consensus that it would not pass this time."

Compretta said, "Hancock County isn't the only county having a problem collecting from rural customers. It's happening all over the state."

Seymour noted that should the county turn over a list of customers in arrears to a professional collection agency, the usual fee charged for trying to collect is 30 percent.

But, he added, there was a bill making its way through the current legislative session that would tack an extra 30 percent on to the customers delinquent accounts.

Supervisors unanimously passed a resolution supporting

the bill, and it will be sent to the legislature.

Since garbage service was extended into unincorporated areas of Hancock County more than a year ago, it has been a problem getting an actual count or rural customers or an accurate identity of property owners.

Counties in the past have tried to attach the delinquent garbage amount onto property taxes as an additional lien on their property, but court challenges have made officials hesitant to begin the practice.

Previously, supervisors had proposed to increase the property tax millage dedicated to solid waste from the current 3.8 mills to six mills. The increased millage would be added to the total property tax bill.

Opponents argued, however,

that renters and those living in trailers might not legally have to pay and owners of multiple lots and undeveloped lands in the buffer zone would be taxed even though they don't need garbage pickup.

Speaking for Waveland, Mayor John Mason said all city residents now pay a monthly garbage fee, but the county might actually lose revenues by attaching it to the ad valorem

tax bill since many Waveland residents are elderly and exempt from paying property taxes.

At the close of the fiscal year last September, supervisors had to take \$107,000 out of a special gaming fund to make up for the shortfall in revenue by customers who did not pay for garbage pickup. It was estimated that 46 percent of rural customers were not paying.

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GRPC

Hancock counties; a new east/west corridor and north/south corridor in Harrison County to relieve traffic congestion; and improvements to bridges and Interstate 110 impacted by casinos.

GRPC also wants more flexible use of federal funds for transit; a high-speed rail corridor linking New Orleans to Jacksonville, Florida; and better ingress and egress at the Port of Gulfport.

Priorities for funding were reached by consensus of the Gulf Coast Area Transportation Study formed by the GRPC, and were presented in person in Washington last week to Mississippi Sens. Trent Lott and Thad Cochran and U.S. Rep. Gene Taylor.

Four of five Hancock County supervisors accompanied a larger delegation from the GRPC attending the National Association of Counties 1997 Legislative Conference. The coast delegation held one-on-one meetings with Lott and Taylor and an aide to Cochran to outline their priorities.

In the individual meeting, GRPC Planning Director Jeff Taylor served as spokesman for the delegation and called for Congress to reauthorize the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA), which is due to expire Sept. 30 this year.

Originally passed in 1991, ISTEA provided \$156 billion over a six-year period for highways and transit systems, but the Clinton administration and some members of Congress want to use an estimated \$20 billion built up in the Highway Trust Fund to help reduce the national deficit.

Taylor explained under the Reagan administration, 4.3 cents of every dollar of revenue from the federal gasoline tax was diverted to the general fund for deficit reduction.

"But, this had a sunset provision and was supposed to be only for a couple of years. Now, we want it put back into the Highway Trust Fund, which funds ISTEA programs," said Taylor.

Taylor said the GRPC wants a continued presence, involvement and funding of Metropolitan Planning Organizations (such as the GRPC) included in the overall transportation planning process.

He said the GRPC and planning organizations representing smaller states, such as Mississippi, also want a more equitable distribution of the trust fund monies. Estimates are Mississippi only gets 80 cents back for every \$1 of the fuel taxes generated by the state.

On its wish list, Taylor emphasized the immediate need to improve roads leading into and out of Port of Mobile Industrial Park in Hancock County.

Continued growth in the area is evident with the expansion of Wetland Park and the resulting congestion on the main road into the area. Taylor said the GRPC is working on a long-term plan to address these issues and improve the area's infrastructure.

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impeded." Taylor said failure to improve the roadway system would limit "prospects for import/export development and spinoff operations could be limited without adequate surface transportation facilities."

Anticipating unprecedented growth in Hancock and other counties along the coast, the GRPC also requested more federal funding for water, sewer and drainage facilities.

The GRPC also noted that port and airport improvements were not funded under the ISTEA program.

Another request was made to allow a more flexible use of funds for public transit.

"Congress should eliminate

the control on whether to use the federal portion on operations or capital," said Taylor. "This needs to be a local decision."

The GRPC feels the local transit companies, especially those classified as small urban transits, should be able to use "any and all funds in a way that helps them, not restricts them."

Others in the GRPC delegation included: Executive Director Ned Bourdreaux; Commissioners Jesse Canon, Douglas Neacase, Lisa Coward, and Roger Dale Ladner; Bobby Eleuterius, District 1 Supervisor, Harrison County; and Harrison County Administrator Pam Ulrich.

Bond

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last year. Early retirement of the note will save the city nearly \$33,000, according to figures provided by city officials.

Another \$350,000 has been dedicated as matching funds for a grant for a massive drainage project in Shoreline Park.

Improvement of the city's sewage system will be a relief for resident Clarence Harris. Raw sewage has backed up into Harris' house during heavy rains and when pumps at lift stations have malfunctioned. Harris lives on Morris Street in the area commonly referred to as Middletown.

"The area has gotten out of hand," Harris told the aldermen. "Every time it happens, you can't hardly live in the house. If you had to live there, you would not."

"I would rather see (the sewerage) in the ditch than in the house."

Waveland's Public Utilities Director Steve Landry explained that because of some broken joints and aging pipes, the potential for sewage backup exists in other parts of the city.

"One solution is to repair all of the broken lines, and seal the manholes and lift stations," he said. "But that would take several million dollars. We are trying to do as many line repairs as we can. But we don't have enough of money or manpower."

Landry said during heavy rains an excessive amount of rain water is leaking into the system, which may adversely affect the operation of the pumps, often to the point of burning up a pump.

"If we don't repair the system, sewerage could back up into people's yards and homes," he said. "That will limit development (in those areas)."

Landry offered the aldermen two solutions. He said the city could contract out the necessary work, or have city workers perform it in-house. To do the latter, he said, would necessitate the purchase of some equipment and possibly additional workers, but would represent a long-term saving.

The aldermen agreed to refer the matter to a committee to study the options and report back to the full council.

would save the city from 25 to 50 percent.

Landry said any significant paving work would have to be completed by contractors since the city does not have the necessary equipment.

Alderman Al Kingston said he is aware of at least one area where the installation of the proper sewage system could mean the construction of an additional 25 homes. He added he favored upgrading the sewage system over paving.

"Some people have been here 20 years with no sewage or paved road," Kingston said. "I would rather give them sewage (system). I'm not interested in paving."

Alderman Tommy Longo said there may be some grants available to help the city upgrade the system. He has already been instrumental in helping the city land several grants, some in areas other than utilities.

"There is no doubt the sewage lines need upgrading," Longo said. "It should be a priority. We must figure out how to get the most out of our money."

Waveland Mayor John Mason warned the aldermen about relying too heavily on grants, saying they often "tied in" with other projects, such as "low-income housing."

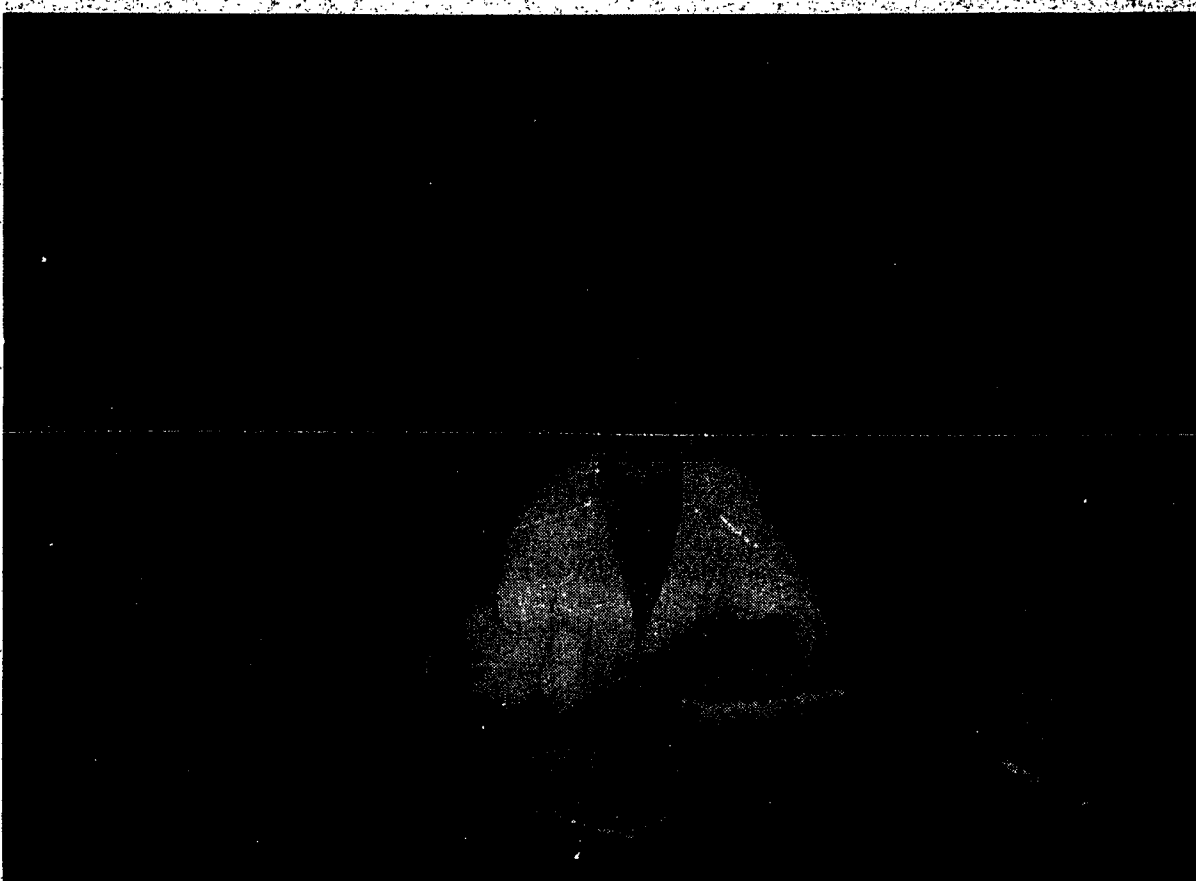
"Sometimes, you're better off going for a state loan," Mason said.

Longo added that about 60 percent of those residents in Waveland without sewage hookups are low to moderate income.

"We need to look at what our priorities are," he said. "Sewage and upgrading our infrastructure are our priorities."

The board gave Landry permission to begin investigating the cost to purchase a track-hoe, a sewerage jet and a trailer to move the track-hoe. Landry said the track-hoe will allow city crews to dig as deep as 12 feet and could be a tremendous asset to the city crews.

Landry said the city crews are currently working on a project to replace the old sewer lines in the area of the city known as the "Old Town" area.



Moonlight on the Bay

The Hancock Medical Center Foundation and Medical Staff Wives will host their second annual gala dinner dance, "Moonlight on the Bay," Saturday, May 3 at Our Lady of the Gulf Community Center. Proceeds will go toward construction of a new women's and children's pavilion at the hospital. Admission is \$100 per couple, with several patron levels available. For additional information, call 466-3391. Seated, from left, are Pam Libys, event chairman, Sheila Fontaine and Melinda Kendrick; standing, Lee Fredian, Darla Goodfellow, Melanie Loiacano and Kim Morgan.

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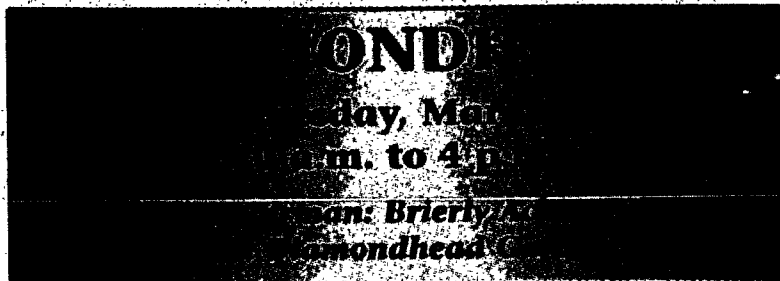
50th annual Spring Pilgrimage to start

1. Headquarters, Diamondhead Community Center- Signs at entrance. Maps, brochures and coffee. Note the newly landscaped entrance way and patio area.

2. Home and gardens of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hourin-668 Hale Court. A split level cedar home, designed by the owners, uses glass to take advantage of a view of Pine Golf Course. The grounds are landscaped with Live Oaks, hosta, ferns, astilbe, hydrangea and phlox. Decks offer seating to view the golf course, garden spa and fish pond. The house features a large kitchen with hardwood floors, and opens to a cathedral ceiling living room. A master bedroom wing includes a study and "his" and "her" dressing areas. A game room with billiard table, bar and casual seating is on the lower level. Decor includes antiques, crystal, heirlooms, paintings by local artists and family pictures.

3. Gardens of Mrs. Jules F. Zatarain-651 Alakoko Drive. Mrs. Zatarain purchased this home recently and embarked on a project to renovate and rescue the gardens from several years of neglect. Many new plantings have been added and existing ones pruned and shaped. This lovely wooded garden has huge oak trees with two Live Oaks at the entrance. Asian Jasmine has been chosen as a ground cover in the heavily wooded areas. The rear garden features a tiered pond with a waterfall, a bridge spans the pond and connects to a large multilevel deck. The center of the deck was cut out to accommodate a tree. When the tree died the top was removed and replaced with a unique Amish bird feeder.

4. Home of Mr. and Mrs. Doug Lottes-640 Huko Court. This two story Acadian style home built in 1995 was designed to suit the Lottes' large family. The home sits on nearly an acre landscaped with many native tree, shrubs and over 100 azaleas.



The church pew on the front porch was salvaged from an old burned church in Winchester, Va. The beautiful open staircase takes you up to the children's rooms. The living room, dining room and sun room are downstairs. An open kitchen and gathering room with fireplace provides a lovely view.

5. Diamondhead Yacht Club-3410 Yacht Club Drive. Dutch treat luncheon is available from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Reservations requested for parties of 10 or more (255-2925). Elevator access.

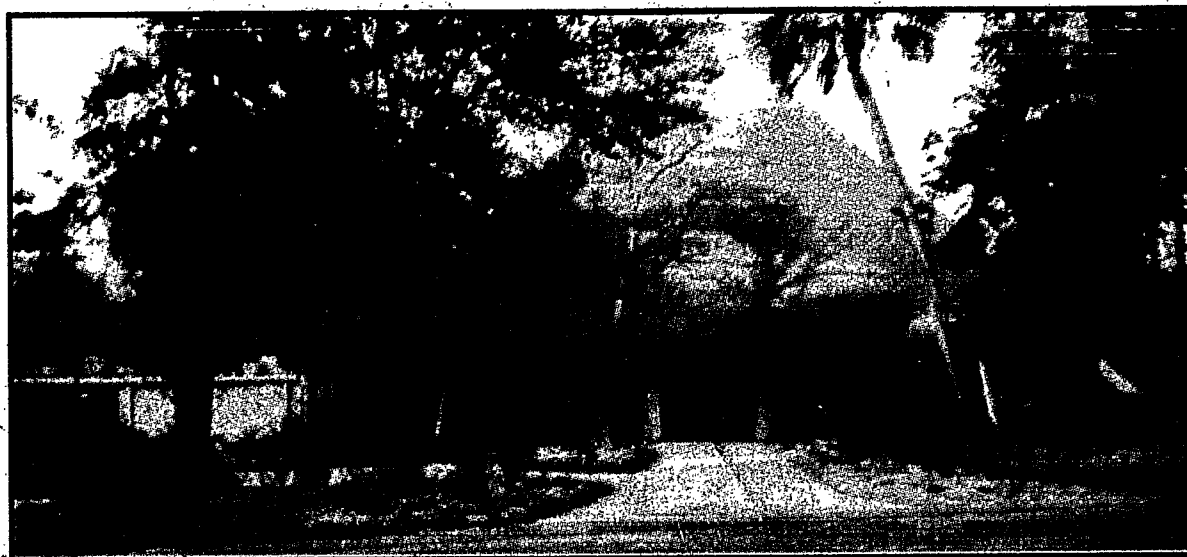
6. Home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cuccia-8314 Mauanani Place. This estate overlooking Bayou Bennesheva and completed in October 1994, was designed, built and decorated by Marilyn and Joe Cuccia. The open floor plan, extensive gardens, pool, dock and outdoor kitchen reflect the owners' lifestyle and love for entertaining. The contemporary original oil, "Friends" by Susan Marie, was commissioned by the owners to hang in the great room. It ties the color scheme together and welcomes guests.

7. Home and gardens of Mr. and Mrs. William Howell-8322 Mauanani Place. This unique 2 1/2 story custom home

views Bayou Bennesheva and features an open living and dining area, wet bar, wine cellar, gourmet kitchen with a dumb waiter and a turret room. An open oak staircase leads to the second floor and the turret room. The master suite has "his" and "hers" baths, each with jacuzzi. Decor reflects the Howells' years of living and traveling abroad. Mrs. Howell's marine biology background is seen in her unusual turtle collection. A front garden has native flowering trees and plants; the back is planted to provide a haven for birds (50 species identified), and butterflies. A private island features native plants, a pavilion and dock.

8. Home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Howson-8320 Mauanani Place. This home was built as a weekend retreat. After retirement the Howsons plan to spend more time enjoying this beautiful residence. The front employs the raised South Louisiana style architecture while the back, an open traditional style. The ground floor area was enclosed recently to add a second garage and the kitchen/sitting room. The style fits with the natural pines and magnolia trees on the site and affords a view of Bayou Bennesheva.

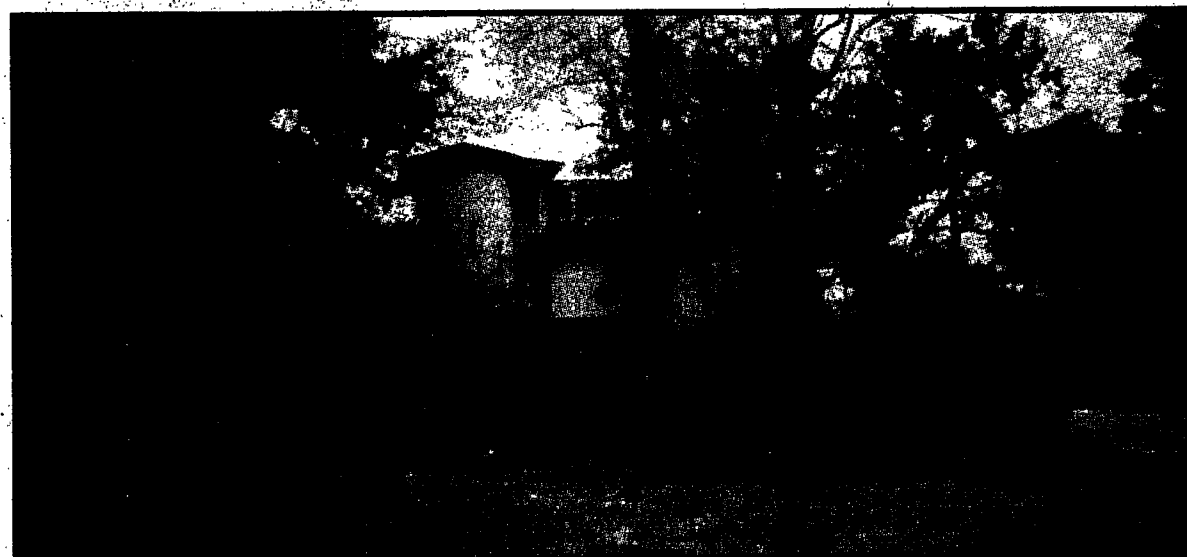
9. Gardens of Capt. and Mrs. Henry Langen-8454 Kimo Court. The Langen's garden has more than double in size and scope recently. A garden house, potting shed and many splendid plantings have been added. A trellis bridge entry and red brick pathway lead to a large patio. This area for family gatherings is appointed with a lovely fountain. A vine-covered gate leads to a path through an undeveloped area, preserved as a wildlife habitat. This four-seasons garden with a wide variety of plants give pleasure to the owners, visitors, butterflies and birds. Most specimens of the Mississippi "natives" are labeled.



Diamondhead Community Center



Home and gardens of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hourin



Home and gardens of Mr. and Mrs. William Howell



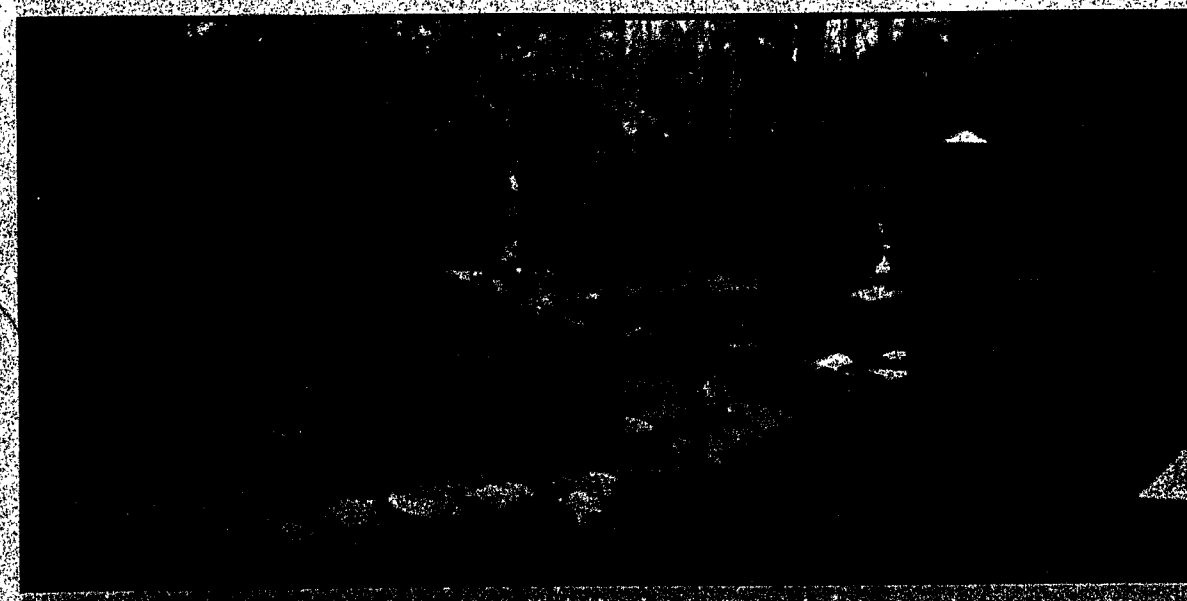
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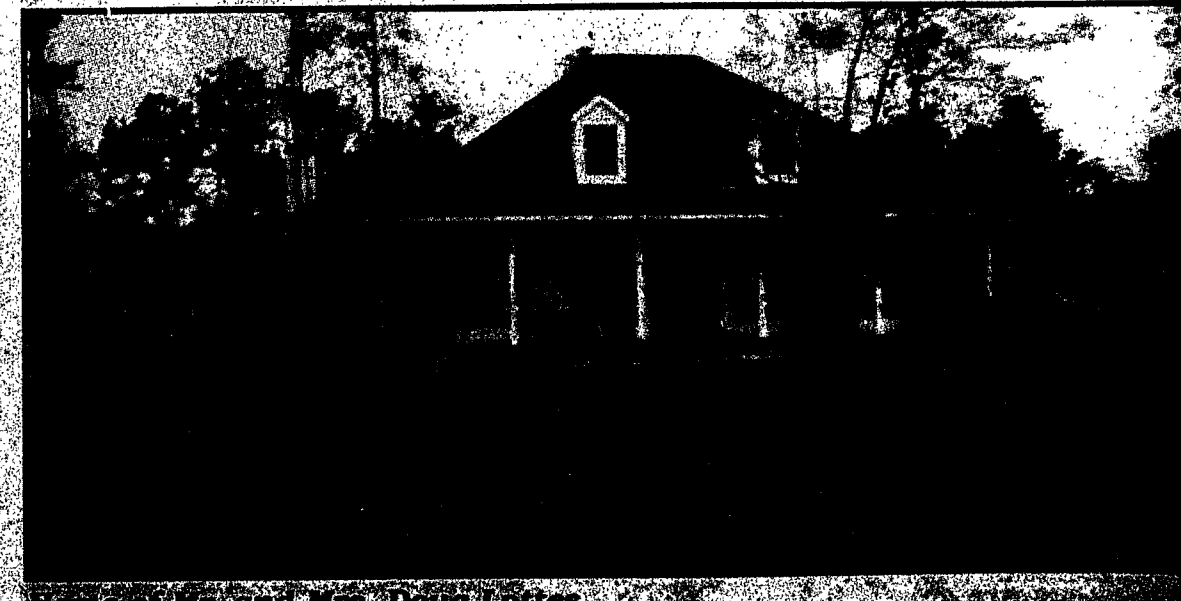
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Or Pizza, Tater Tots, Carrot Sticks, Fudge Bar.

Or Corn Dogs, Spicy Potato Logs, Carrot Sticks, Fudge Bar.

Tuesday — Cheese Burger, Spicy Potato Logs, Apple Cobbler, Pickle Spears.

Or Sloppy Joe on Bun, Tater Tots, Carrot Sticks, Apple Cobbler.

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Wednesday — Roast Beef, Rice and Gravy, Seasoned Green Beans, Peaches, Hot Rolls.

Or Pizza Burger, French Fries, Peaches.

Or BBQ Rib Pattie on Bun, French Fries, Peaches.

Thursday — Burritos, Tater Tots, Applesauce, Celery Sticks.

Or Fish on Bun, Tater Tots, Applesauce.

Or Chicken Nuggets, Rice with Gravy, Tossed Salad, Applesauce, Hot Rolls.

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OLA Students of Month

Our Lady Academy has announced the Pepsi Students of the Month for December are, from left, junior Kristen Gilmore, eighth grader Mandy McConnell, senior Yvonne Salloum, seventh grader Emily Meyers and sophomore Mia Alexander. Not pictured is freshman Emily Taylor.

**Students invited to
safety conference**

All Mississippi students in grades 7-12, who are active members of alcohol/drug/highway safety awareness clubs, are invited to the ninth annual Teens on the Move safety conference.

The April 8 event will be held in the Mississippi Coliseum, Jackson, and is designed to be a reward for students who are drug free and taking an active role in promoting highway safety.

This motivational, educational and informational conference begins at 8:30 a.m. and concludes at 3 p.m.

Presenters will be Bobby Pet-

rocelli, who has presented inspiring safety messages in 36 states and various other areas of the world after his wife was killed by a drunken driver; Eric Chester, recognized as one of the nation's foremost youth motivational speakers, and Jennifer Gunter, co-author of "Teen Power," a book featuring advice from 14 outstanding youth speakers, trainers and authors.

Jim Carpenter, Public Safety Planning's youth programs coordinator, noted that "this conference will help teenagers to sharpen their leadership skills and be better equipped to be positive role models for other students in their schools."

Registration fee is \$9 per student plus a canned food item brought to the conference for donation to the Mississippi Food Network. Lunch and a t-shirt are included in the cost. The registration fee is not required for chaperones.

"A maximum of 30 students per school will be accepted, and three adult chaperones per 30 students must attend," Carpenter said. "It's extremely important that schools register as soon as possible. The absolute deadline, if space is still available, is April 1."

Checks should be made payable to the University of Southern Mississippi and sent to Jim Carpenter, Division of Public Safety Planning, Box 23039, Jackson, MS 39225-3039.

Carpenter may be contacted by phone at 359-7880.

**SMH
programs
target teens**

Slidell Memorial Hospital and Medical Center is offering several special programs in March that are designed just for teenagers, pre-teens and their parents:

Boy Talk — Facts and Feelings About Growing Up: March 10, 7 p.m., free, at SMH Women's Resource Suite. This program, featuring David W. Kidder, PhD, counseling psychologist, and Mahmoud Dattary, MD, adult and pediatric urologist, is designed for boys and their parent(s). To register, call 646-0044.

Parenting Teens — Why Won't They Listen to What I Say? Mar. 17, 7 p.m., free, in SMH Women's Resource Suite. For parents living in the trenches of raising adolescents and teenagers, keeping the lines of communication open is vital. Parents who discipline in a positive way will find that they can emerge from the trenches to better enjoy their child's teenage years. To register, call 646-0044.

More Girl Talk — Developing Responsible Sexual Behavior: March 19, 7 p.m. in SMH Women's Resource Suite. Ann Roussell Lobello, MD, obstetrics and gynecology, will shed light on the subject of risks involved in early sexual behavior, empowering teens with the knowledge needed to develop responsible sexual behavior and to make healthy choices. To register, call 646-0044.

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WEDDINGS

Easterling-Dean



Susan Michelle Dean

Mrs. Sue S. Dean of Wiggins and Mr. H. G. Dean Sr. of Pearlanton announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Susan Michelle Dean, to Thomas Grayson Easterling III, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gray Easterling Jr. of Alexandria, La. The bride-elect attended Bay High School and is a 1995 Millsaps College graduate with a BA in English magna cum laude. She was a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Sigma Tau Delta and Omicron Delta Kappa. She is presently a second-year law student and part-time law clerk for Freeland and Freeland Law Firm in Oxford.

The prospective groom attended Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts in Natchitoches, La., and is a 1990 graduate of Northwestern State University in Natchitoches, where he earned a BA degree in English with distinction. He was a member of Phi Kappa Phi and an Honors Fellow at the University of Mississippi. He is a graduate instructor of English at the University of Mississippi and assistant editor of the *Oxford American*. The wedding is planned for May 24, 1997 at 7 p.m. at St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Oxford.

LaFontaine-Castiglia



Julie Castiglia

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Castiglia Sr. of Long Beach announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Julie Rene Castiglia, to Terrell Owen LaFontaine II, son of Terrell and Laurin Ann LaFontaine of Bay St. Louis.

The bride-elect is a 1993 Long Beach High School graduate and is presently a senior at the University of Southern Mississippi studying elementary education.

The prospective groom is a 1992 graduate of St. Stanislaus and attended Jefferson Davis Community College and Jones County Community College. He is employed by Yarbrough Tile Co. and Federal Express.

The wedding will take place June 7, 1997 at 2 p.m. at St. Thomas Catholic Church in Long Beach.

Mason-Maggio

Dr. and Mrs. Henry Anthony Maggio of Bay St. Louis announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Shannon Julie Maggio, to Robert Brannon Mason, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Edward Mason of Madison, Ga.

The bride-elect's grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Terry Padgett of Columbia, S.C., and the late Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Maggio.

She is a graduate of Our Lady Academy and of Duke University with a BA degree in English. She was a member of Chi Omega Sorority.

Miss Maggio is an associate editor with Longstreet Press in Atlanta, Ga.

The prospective groom's grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Wesley Brannon of Atlanta, Ga., and the late Mr. and Mrs. Charles Livingston Mason.

He is a graduate of Athens Academy and Vanderbilt University, where he earned a BA degree in business. He was a member of Phi Beta Kappa. He is employed with C B Commercial in Atlanta.

The marriage will take place May 17, 1997 at 7 p.m. at St. Luke Episcopal Church.



Shannon Julie Maggio

Bed & Breakfasts featured on ETV

Looking for an alternative to staying in a hotel? Southern Expressions takes you on a tour of some of the best Bed and Breakfasts Mississippi has to offer during its Festival '97 special on ETV Thursday, March 13 at 8 p.m.

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Hosted by Rhonda Cooper-Thompson, Southern Expressions' "Bed and Breakfast Special" gives a history and useful information so you may utilize the best of the Bed and Breakfasts.

Volunteer deadline

The deadline for the 1997 Governor's Initiative for Volunteer Excellence (GIVE) Awards has been extended until Wednesday, March 19.

The GIVE awards are presented by the Office of the Governor and First Lady in order to recognize individuals, organizations, or communities for volunteer efforts which have made a significant difference to the state or to local communities.

These awards establish high standards for volunteer involvement, effectiveness and multiplying resources for communities.

For information relating to GIVE or for applications, call Cora Gee at 359-3175 or Marsha Kelly with the Mississippi Commission for Volunteer Service at 982-6779.

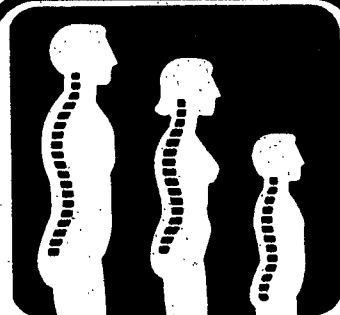
With help and support, the 1997 volunteer awards program will recognize outstanding Mississippians who characterize the true spirit of volunteerism.

Healthy Cooking School

Memorial Hospital at Gulfport will host a Heart Healthy Cooking School Thursday, March 20, 6-9 p.m. in the MHG cafeteria.

In recognition of March being National Nutrition Month, Memorial's Chef Walline Williams will prepare Heart Healthy recipes for individuals with diabetes, cardiovascular disease or anyone interested in exploring healthier ways of cooking. Williams will demonstrate cooking techniques as well as specific recipes. The products of this demonstration will be available for tasting.

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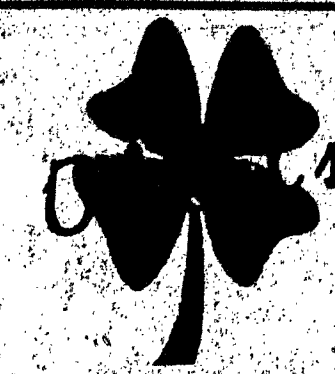
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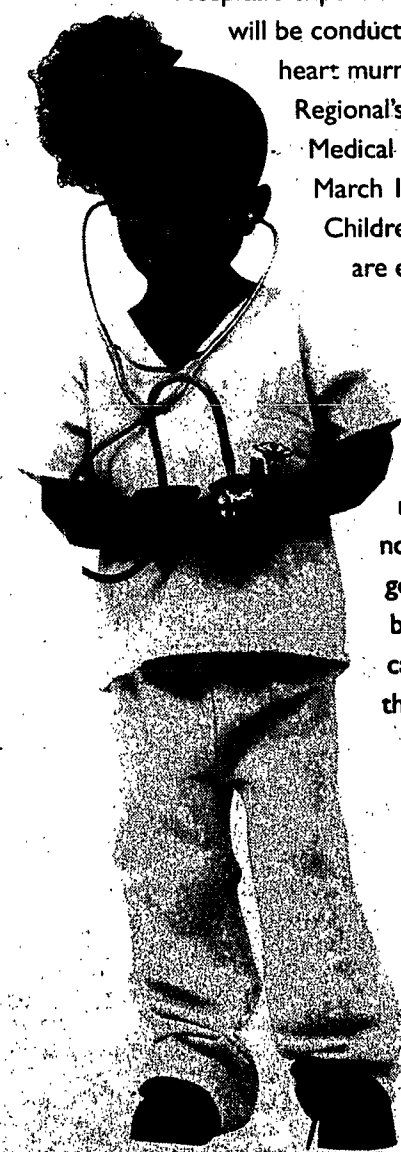
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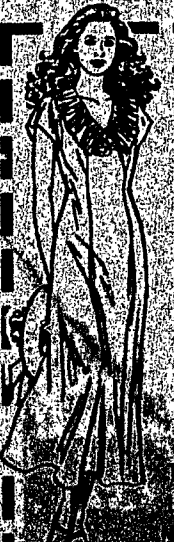
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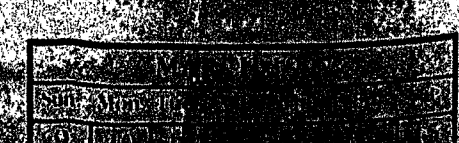
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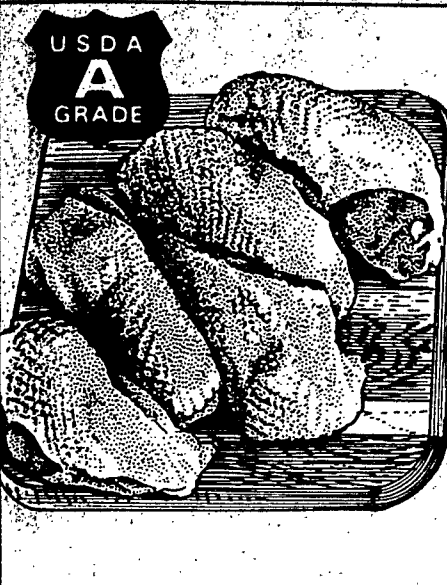
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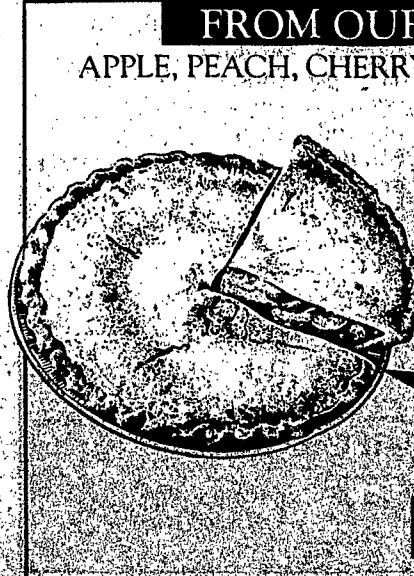
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First, Christ died "for sins." Christ paid the penalty due to others for their sins against God. No one else in all of history has ever done this.

Second, Christ was absolutely "just." He was totally without sin. He was "tempted in all things as we are, yet without sin" (Hebrews 4:15). He was "holy, innocent, undefiled" (Hebrews 7:26). Christ was in no way deserving of death.

Third, Christ stood in the place of "the unjust." No one else is able to say they are without sin. "There is no distinction; for all have sinned" (Romans 3:22-23). Christ stood in the place of sinners. He died, "the just for the unjust." No one else has ever done this.

BIRTHS

ALISSA MARIE ADAM

Tanna Adam and Ricky Adam of Kiln announce the birth of a daughter, Alissa Marie, Jan. 23, 1997, at NorthShore Regional Medical Center in Slidell.

JONATHON G. ARTIGUES

Nancy G. Artigues and Ronald J. Artigues of Bay St. Louis announce the birth of a son, Jonathon, Jan. 18, 1997, at NorthShore Regional Medical Center in Slidell.

JAMES NOEL RUSSELL

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Russell of Pass Christian announce the birth of a son, James Noel, March 1, 1997 at 4:34 a.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.

He weighed 6 pounds, 6 ounces. Mrs. Russell is the former Bobbie L. Leoni. Maternal grandmother is Shellie L. Leoni of Pass Christian. Paternal grandparents are the late George and Loretta Russell. Jimmy is welcomed by brothers Shawn and Joel and sister Jenni.

LAUREN ELIZABETH TOOMEY

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Toomey of Waveland announce the birth of their second child, Lauren Elizabeth, Feb. 12, 1997, at 1:15 p.m. at Memorial Hospital at Gulfport.

She weighed 7 pounds, 14 ounces. Mrs. Toomey is the former Melinda Boykin. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. William Boykin of Raleigh, Miss. Maternal great-grandmother is Mrs. Minnie Horn of Raleigh. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John H. (Jack) Toomey of Waveland. Paternal great-grandmother is the late Mrs. Dolores Ladner. Lauren Elizabeth is welcomed by her sister Ashley Elizabeth.



Trinity Mardi Gras

The Krewe of Trinity Nursery School, located at Trinity Episcopal Church, Pass Christian, held its annual Mardi Gras parade at Miramar Lodge Nursing Home Feb. 7. Pictured are the students and teachers giving a toast to the onlookers.



Asper Bee winner

Alicia Asper won the BCE level

of the National Geography Bee and will now compete at the state level in Jackson. The National Geographic Society and Sylvan Learning Center sponsor the event, awarding a \$25,000 college scholarship to the national winner and other prizes at the school and state levels, including an all-expense-paid trip to Washington D.C. for the state winner and sponsor. Alex Trebek of Jeopardy will be the moderator for the national competition. The geography bee was designed to encourage the teaching and studying of geography. Students in the fourth to eighth grades are tested on place names, location of cultural languages, religious, economic activities, population and political systems as well as physical features like tectonic activity, climate, landforms, bodies of water, soils and flora and fauna.

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Masterworks concert

St. Paul Catholic Church in Pass Christian will present the 14th concert in its Masterworks Series Sunday, March 16 at 1:30 p.m. at the church at 140 East Beach Boulevard.

The program, "Classics on the Coast," will feature a variety of instrumental and vocal selections. The concert is free and open to the public.

Featured guest artist is Giovanni DeChiaro, professor of classical guitar at the University of Southern Mississippi in Hattiesburg. In addition to solo selection, DeChiaro will be joined by violinists Sarah and

Emily Mahler, flutists Dennis Carver and Betty McCarroll and vocalists Judith D'Angelo, Ron Herzog, Todd and Deana Mullins.

Joy Mehrtens, music director for the Coast Chorale, will accompany some of the vocal selections.

Past concerts in the series have included internationally known artists Sean Duggan, OSB and Barbara Geary, as well as many musicians from the Gulf Coast. The Gulf Coast Messiah Chorus and the Coast Chorale have been guests on several occasions.

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147 Apt. For Rent

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148 Mobile Homes For Rent

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UNFURNISHED 2 BR/1 BA, H/A, in Waveland. \$300/mo, deposit required. 467-0260.

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150 Unfurn. Houses For Rent

2 BR/1 BA, 2 SCREENED PORCHES, washer/dryer, hook-up, new stove; lg. yard, private drive, neat & clean, within city limits, quiet neighborhood. Pet-free. \$395/mo, \$200/dep. Call 467-3937 for appointment.

3 BR/2 BA HOUSE W/CENTRAL A/H & fenced yard. Corner of Ladner & Victoria St. in Waveland. References & deposit required. Call 467-0962/after 5pm.

BRICK RANCH, B.S.L., 3 BEDROOM, 2 full baths, garage, large unfenced yard. Available March 15th. \$620 plus deposit and utilities. 466-4361.

LOOKING FOR A RENTAL? CALL US! Ashman Mollere Realty Incorporated. 467-5454.

TWO BEDROOM COTTAGE on water, sewage and water pad. \$425/month plus deposit. Call 466-6364.

VERY NICE 2 AND 3 BEDROOM - Furnished and unfurnished houses for rent from \$450 to \$750 month. Key Properties Inc., ask for Carol, 467-0600.

151 Furn. Houses For Rent

3 BR/1 BA, PARTIALLY FURNISHED, central a/h. 255-7286 or 255-7782.

COTTAGE FOR RENT, FURNISHED, on the water, in-ground pool, boat dock available. \$300/dep, \$450/mo. 466-5628.

PARTIALLY FURNISHED 3 BEDROOM, 1 bath, 1045 Washington Street, \$400 month plus deposit. 467-1117.

152 Mobile Home Sites

WHEEL INN MOBILE HOME PARK centrally located. Water, sewerage, garbage pick-up. 601-467-6169.

156 Lots/Acreage

8 LOTS IN BAYSIDE PARK, \$7,200. Reduced from \$8,000. Call for more info. 466-2947 or 466-4488.

DIAMONDHEAD LOT: LARGE BEAUTIFUL, adjacent to bayou, lots, elevated, trees. Write: TWO LOTS, P.O. Box 165, McHenry, MS 39561.

LAND/TIMBER FOR SALE: Southern Forest Investments is bidding off several tracts of land & timber in Hancock & Marion Counties, MS. Good for recreation, hunting, timber management or home places. For information on the properties, call 601-736-4956.

WATERFRONT LOTS FOR SALE. 504-649-6751.

158 Commercial Property

COMMERCIAL BUILDING FOR RENT in BSL, \$350/month, \$200/deposit, water is included. 467-9661, 467-3935.

HWY 90, BAY ST. LOUIS: 3,500 sq. ft. with parking. "Magnolia Tree", \$2,000/mo. John Harris. 452-7803.

OFFICE SPACE FOR RENT, 500 SF, at Diamondhead front gate. \$620/mo. includes utilities. 255-9883 or 255-9586/after 5pm.

159 Houses For Sale

3 BEDROOM, OWNER FINANCING, NEWLY remodeled, central heat/air, on water, 11065 Whale, \$500/down, payments approx. \$475/month. 467-9661, 467-3935.

3BR/2BA HOUSE, IN KILN, APPROX. 1400 SF, vaulted ceiling in LR, fireplace, screened porch, 2 fenced acres, \$89,900. 255-1552.

4 BR/2BA HOME LOCATED IN THE HEART OF BSL. Fenced yard, quiet neighborhood. \$79,000/negotiable. 466-3890.

FOR SALE: WAVELAND, 4 BR, 3 BA, den with wet bar, 25' x 30' living room, office with separate entrance (needs minor work but is functional), 3,000 square feet, 10' x 50' front porch, beach easement. Appraised at \$182,000, \$160,000. 601-463-8070.

GOVT FORECLOSURE HOMES FROM pennies on \$1. Delinquent tax, repo's. Your area. Toll free 1-800-218-9000. Ext. H-3930 for current listings.

REDUCED HOME, RENTAL STORE, all for \$79,000. 6837-8555-8857. Kiln/Delta Road, 153 x 500 w/2 houses; 1 house brick 4 BR/2BA, den, fireplace, 1.5 bath, house plus operating grocery, 2 miles off I-10/shopping. Garbino Real Estate 467-4907. Breaux 466-2077.

159 Houses For Sale

WATERFRONT HOME FOR THE LARGE family! Six bedroom, two bath, raised with covered parking for four autos or boat, 100 ft. of bulkhead with boat launch on deep canal, plus much more. Priced to sell! Call Vicki at ERA/Bayshore Realty, 467-0244. MLS#76730.

WAVELAND, 3/4 bedrooms, 1 1/2 BATH, new heat pump, roof, carpet, paint, 7 ceiling fans, 100X115 lot, 1420 sq.ft., \$54,800. 466-0719.

161 Condo/Rent/Sale

DIAMONDHEAD GOLF COURSE CONDO open house, Sat. & Sun., 1-5pm. 6650 Golf Club Dr., 1BR/1BA, furnished, (like new), 255-4767.

TOWNHOUSE ON GOLF COURSE in Diamondhead for sale, 2 bedroom, 2 1/2 baths, living room, large kitchen, deck. Fully furnished, new roof. Weekend appointments only. 504-892-6436.

Public Notice

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
RITA S. LAPARA, Plaintiff
vs.
EVELYN B. LUKE, AND VICTOR J. LUKE, AND ANY OTHER PERSONS OF INTEREST, Defendant(s)
SUMMONS
CASE NO. 970160
(Service by Publication)
TO: EVELYN B. LUKE AND VICTOR J. LUKE, whose last known address was 3129 Metairie Court, Metairie, Louisiana 70002; but whose present address and address is unknown. You have been made Defendant in the lawsuit filed in this Court by Rita S. Lapara, Plaintiff, whose address is 11287 Northshore Dr., Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39520.

The Plaintiff filed against you an affidavit of civil action alleging legal ownership to quiet and confirm title. You are required to mail or hand deliver a copy of a written Answer either admitting or denying each allegation in the Complaint within a reasonable time after the date of the first publication of this summons. If your answer is not so mailed or delivered, a judgment by default may be entered against you for the money or other relief demanded in the complaint.

YOUR ANSWER MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NO LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE 2ND DAY OF MARCH, 1997, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR ANSWER IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMAND IN THE COMPLAINT.

You must also file the original of your Answer with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time after the date of the first publication of this summons. Witness my signature and official seal this 27th day of February, 1997.
(SEAL)

TIMOTHY A. KELLAR
CLERK OF COURT
KIM BONANO
DEPUTY CLERK
2-23; 3-2; 3-16-97

NOTICE OF
SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S SALE
WHEREAS, on April 27, 1995, JASPER J. FAUCETT executed and delivered certain deed of trust in favor of MAGNOLIA FEDERAL BANK FOR SAVINGS, Beneficiary, Wilma F. Jones, Trustee, which said deed of trust is recorded in Book 439, at Page 124, of the Records of Mortgages and Deeds of Trust on Land in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, on November 28, 1996, said Deed of Trust was assigned by MAGNOLIA FEDERAL BANK FOR SAVINGS to MARION BOYD BOWMAN by assignment recorded in Book 469 at Page 527 of the aforesaid records; and

WHEREAS, on January 28, 1997, MARION BOYD BOWMAN, hereinafter the owner and holder of said deed of trust, executed and delivered to JENNIFER WEST SIGNS, as Trustee, in place and instead of the said WILLIAM F. JONES, Trustee, strictly in accordance with the terms and provisions of said deed of trust, which said Substitution of Trustee is recorded in Book 475, at Page 367, of the aforesaid records; and

WHEREAS, default having been made in the payment of the monthly installments due on said indebtedness secured by said deed of trust, MARION BOYD BOWMAN, the owner and holder of same has exercised his option to declare the due of unpaid principal balance immediately due and payable and has requested the undersigned, JENNIFER WEST SIGNS, SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE, to foreclose said deed of trust and to sell the property herein described in satisfaction of the indebtedness secured by said deed of trust and all costs of sale;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, the undersigned, JENNIFER WEST SIGNS, SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE, will, on the 25th day of March, 1997, with legal heirs at the Main front door of the County Courthouse for Hancock County, Mississippi, in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, sell to the highest bidder for cash the following described property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit: Lot 30, Block 5, Amended Plat of Unit 2, Diamondhead, Phase 1, A subdivision of Hancock County, Mississippi, as per official map or plat thereof filed and of record in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee.

SIGNED, POSTED, and PUBLISHED this 28th day of February, 1997.
JENNIFER WEST SIGNS,
SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE
2-23; 3-2; 3-16; 3-23-97

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
HANCOCK COUNTY
EXECUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS
OF ARCHIE B. BUGG
NO. 970139

Letters testamentary having been granted on the 16th day of February, 1997, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned Executor of the Estate of ARCHIE B. BUGG, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of this Court for probate and registration according to law, within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this notice, or they will be forever barred.

This 18th day of February, 1997.

BY: Link C. SAIGON, Executor
2-23; 3-2; 3-9-97

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
ESTATE OF JULIUS V. O'QUINN
DECEASED
NO. 96-0785

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 27th day of September, 1996, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned Executor of the Estate of JULIUS V. O'QUINN, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of this Court for probate and registration according to law, within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this notice, or they will be forever barred.

This 10th day of February, 1997.
BY: Link C. SAIGON, Executor
2-23; 3-2; 3-9-97

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P.O. BOX 1516
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392-3767

Public Notice

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
The Bay St. Louis City Council will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, March 18, 1997, in order to determine if the following described property should be declared a menace to the public health, safety and welfare.
Michael Evans - property located at 225 Carre Court, described as Lots 18-19 and Lots 55-57, Block 3, St. Charles Subdivision, Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi. The property is located at 111 Court Street, at 7 p.m. All affected property owners and other interested parties are invited to attend.
The public hearing will be held in the City Hall Annex, 111 Court Street, at 7 p.m. All affected property owners and other interested parties are invited to attend.
CLERK OF COUNCIL
2-23; 3-2; 3-9; 3-18-97

ADVERTISING FOR PROPOSALS
Notice is hereby given that the City of Waveland, Mississippi will receive sealed proposals at Waveland City Hall, 301 Coleman Avenue, until 4:00 PM on the 10th day of March, 1997 for the following:
"CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRAINING SYSTEM"
Specifications are on file with the Chief of Police for the City of Waveland and copies may be obtained from the Police Department, 601-487-3699.
Proposals shall be delivered to Waveland City Hall. The envelope should be plainly marked "Computer Hardware for Police Department" and shall be addressed to the City Secretary.

All proposal envelopes should contain the bidder's name and mailing address on the face of the envelope. The bidder reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informality in the proposal accepted.
Lisa B. Planchard
City Secretary
Waveland, MS
3-2; 3-9-97

PUBLIC HEARING
The Bay St. Louis Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing Wednesday, March 12, 1997, at 7:30 p.m. in the City Hall Annex, 111 Court Street, to consider the following:
Thomas C. Brown, application for a 15-foot setback variance to the front yard requirements in order to construct a porch. The property in question is located at 521 East Street, in the City of Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi. It is zoned R-1.
Charles C. Scanna, application for a special subdivision to allow for the creation of two lots. The property in question is located at 212 Felicity Street and is described as Lots 12-15 and Lots 32-35, Block 1, and Lots 17-24, Block 2, part of Louis Street Abandoned, First Ward, Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi. It is zoned R-1.
Ron and Charl Favre, application for a 15-foot variance to the front yard setback requirements and a 10-foot variance to the rear yard setback requirements in order to construct a residence. The property in question is located at 244 Pine Drive and is described as Lot 4, Block 4, Hancock Heights Subdivision, Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi. It is zoned R-1.
Additional information for the above mentioned is available for review during the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, in the office of the Clerk of Council, City Hall Annex, 111 Court Street. All interested parties are invited to attend.

ANDREA L. LEE
CLERK OF COUNCIL
2-23; 3-2; 3-9-97

INVITATION TO BIDDERS
The Hancock County Human Resource Agency invites sealed bids for the purchase of:
ONE OR MORE RECLINERS/CHAIRS
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COMPUTER and PRINTER
ONE OR MORE OFFICE CHAIRS
Interested bidders may pick up specifications at the Human Resource Agency, 101 Old Spanish Trail, P.O. Box 3, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 or by calling (601) 467-8050 or (601) 467-3249 to have them mailed to you. Bids will be accepted until 3:00 p.m. on April 1, 1997. Sealed bids will be opened on April 2, 1997 at 3:00 p.m.
3-9; 3-13; 3-16; 3-20-97

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
WILLIS A. BOURDEAUX, Plaintiff
vs.
THE HEIRS AT LAW OF OZEMIE LAFRAUD BOURDEAUX AND MRS. OZEMIE L. BOURDEAUX, Defendants
SUMMONS FOR PROBATION
CASE NO. 96-0371
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO: THE HEIRS AT LAW OF OZEMIE LAFRAUD BOURDEAUX AND MRS. OZEMIE L. BOURDEAUX, Defendants, whose last known address is unknown at law or decesses. TO: MISS ALISKA C. MIGLIORE, if alive, who is believed to be a non-resident of the state of Mississippi, whose last known address was 184 Rancho Drive, Auburn, CA 95603, but whose present address, both post office and street, are unknown after diligent search and inquiry, and if dead, her unknown heirs at law or devisees. TO: JAMES MARVIN AND JANET MARVIN, if alive, who are believed to be non-residents of the state of Mississippi, whose last known address was 4548 I-10 Service Rd., Metairie, LA 70001, but whose present address, both post office and street, are unknown after diligent search and inquiry, and if dead, their unknown heirs at law or devisees. TO: ELIAS EDUARDO GUEVARA, if alive, who is believed to be a non-resident of the state of Mississippi, whose last known address was 680 Lapalco Blvd., Apt. 350, Gretna, LA 70053, but whose present address, both post office and street, are unknown after diligent search and inquiry, and if dead, their unknown heirs at law or devisees. TO: WOODROW RAYMOND CARCO AND VIOLA E. CARCO, if alive, who are believed to be non-residents of the state of Mississippi, whose last known address was 184 Rancho Drive, Auburn, CA 95603, but whose present address, both post office and street, are unknown after diligent search and inquiry, and if dead, their unknown heirs at law or devisees. TO: AND ALL OTHER PERSONS having or claiming to have any legal or equitable interest in and to the following described lands:

Lot 1 and 42 Block 133, SHORELINE PARK SUBDIVISION, Unit 7, Addition 3, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of said subdivision of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
Lot 16 and 17, Block 139, SHORELINE PARK SUBDIVISION, Unit 7, Addition 3, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of said subdivision of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
Lot 8, Block 338, SHORELINE PARK SUBDIVISION, Unit 3, Addition 1, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of said subdivision of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
Lot 9, Block 338, SHORELINE PARK SUBDIVISION, Unit 3, Addition 1, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of said subdivision of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
Lot 15, Block 103, BAYSIDE PARK SUBDIVISION, Unit 1, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of said subdivision of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
Lot 49, Block 112, BAYSIDE PARK SUBDIVISION, Unit 1, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of said subdivision of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
Lot 38, Block 208, BAYSIDE PARK SUBDIVISION, Unit 1, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of said subdivision of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
Lot 68, Block 217, BAYSIDE PARK SUBDIVISION, Unit 1, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of said subdivision of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
Lot 32, Block 234, BAYSIDE PARK SUBDIVISION, Unit 1, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of said subdivision of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
Lot 12, 13, 42 and 43, Block 303, BAYSIDE PARK SUBDIVISION, Unit 5, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of said subdivision of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
Lots 25 and 26, Block 309, BAYSIDE PARK SUBDIVISION, Unit 5, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of said subdivision of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
Lots 34 and 35, Block 1, WAYLAND GATEWAY SUBDIVISION, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of said subdivision of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
You have been made defendant in the lawsuit filed in this Court by WILLIS A. BOURDEAUX, Plaintiff, whose address is 946 Hwy. 90, Waveland, MS 39576.

The Complaint filed against you has initiated a civil action alleging legal ownership of the above described property and seeking to quiet and confirm title. You are required to file with the Clerk of this Court a written Answer either admitting or denying each allegation in the Complaint, and in addition a copy of your written answer should be either mailed or hand delivered to WILLIS A. BOURDEAUX, Plaintiff, whose address is 946 Hwy. 90, Waveland, MS 39576.

YOUR ANSWER MUST BE FILED NO LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS FROM THE 9TH DAY OF MARCH, A.D., 1997, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR ANSWER IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMAND IN THE COMPLAINT.

Witness my signature and official seal this 7th day of March, A.D., 1997.
(SEAL)

TIMOTHY A. KELLAR
CHANCERY CLERK
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
BY: ANGIE LADNER
DEPUTY CLERK
2-23; 3-2; 3-9-97

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
(RULE 81)
IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM HIO JOSEPH SANDERSON, Deceased
CASE NO. 96-0666

TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF WILLIAM HIO JOSEPH SANDERSON, DECEASED
You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by Zach Buttner, Administrator, Plaintiff, seeking to establish heirship and place the heirs in possession of real and personal property. Defendants other than you in this action are non-residents of the state of Mississippi and you are summoned to appear and defend against the complaint or petition filed against you in this action at 3:00 o'clock a.m. on the 4th day of April, 1997, in the Hancock County Chancery Court courtroom at 306 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the complaint.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire.
Issued under my hand and seal of said Court, this 10th day of February, 1997.
(SEAL)

Timothy A. Kellar
Hancock County, Mississippi
By: Kim Bonano, D.C.
2-23; 3-2; 3-9-97

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
NO. 970087
Letters of Administration having been granted on the 13th day of February, 1997, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned Administrator of the Estate of SAUL JOHN CUEVAS, Deceased, Cause No. 97-0087, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the clerk of said court for probate and registration according to law within ninety (90) days from the date of the first publication of this notice, or they will be forever barred.

This, the 13th day of February, 1997.
EVELYN DIANE JAMES
ADMINISTRATRIX
2-23; 3-2; 3-9-97

Public Notice

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
LIONEL BOURGEOIS, Plaintiff
vs.
JOHN ELMER SMITH, ET AL, DEFENDANTS
PUBLICATION SUMMONS
CIVIL ACTION NO. 970178
TO: JOHN ELMER SMITH, if alive, who is believed to be a non-resident of the state of Mississippi, whose last known address was 2224 N. Friendship, Harvey, LA 70058; but whose present address, both post office and street, are unknown after diligent search and inquiry, and if dead, their unknown heirs at law or devisees. TO: JAMES LINDSAY, if alive, who is believed to be a non-resident of the state of Mississippi, whose last known address was 2405 Elm St., Metairie, LA 70003, but whose present address, both post office and street, are unknown after diligent search and inquiry, and if dead, their unknown heirs at law or devisees. TO: DEBORAH H. BURAS, if alive, who is believed to be a non-resident of the state of Mississippi, whose last known address was 5721 Vermilion Blvd., New Orleans, LA 70122, but whose present address, both post office and street, are unknown after diligent search and inquiry, and if dead, their unknown heirs at law or devisees. TO: CLARE CLARE P. LANASA, if alive, who is believed to be a non-resident of the state of Mississippi, whose last known address was 5721 Vermilion Blvd., New Orleans, LA 70122, but whose present address, both post office and street, are unknown after diligent search and inquiry, and if dead, their unknown heirs at law or devisees. TO: HOBBSON D. HAWTHORNE, if alive, who is believed to be a non-resident of the state of Mississippi, whose present address both post office and street, are unknown after diligent search and inquiry, and if dead, their unknown heirs at law or devisees. TO: ERIC AND CHANDRA STROTHER, if alive, who are believed to be non-residents of the state of Mississippi, whose present address, both post office and street, are unknown after diligent search and inquiry, and if dead, their unknown heirs at law or devisees. TO: PETER HENRY CULLA, SR., and wife, DOROTHY CROFT CULLA, if alive, who are believed to be non-residents of the state of Mississippi, whose last known address was 1405 Pasadena Ave., Metairie, LA 70001, but whose present address, both post office and street, are unknown after diligent search and inquiry, and if dead, their unknown heirs at law or devisees. TO: ALEXANDER WILLIAM COULONGE, III, and wife, MARILYN EEBLING COULONGE, if alive, who are believed to be non-residents of the state of Mississippi, whose last known address was 4748 Bonita Dr., New Orleans, LA 70126, but whose present address, both post office and street, are unknown after diligent search and inquiry, and if dead, their unknown heirs at law or devisees. TO: JAMES MARVIN AND JANET MARVIN, if alive, who are believed to be non-residents of the state of Mississippi, whose last known address was 4548 I-10 Service Rd., Metairie, LA 70001, but whose present address, both post office and street, are unknown after diligent search and inquiry, and if dead, their unknown heirs at law or devisees. TO: ELIAS EDUARDO GUEVARA, if alive, who is believed to be a non-resident of the state of Mississippi, whose last known address was 680 Lapalco Blvd., Apt. 350, Gretna, LA 70053, but whose present address, both post office and street, are unknown after diligent search and inquiry, and if dead, their unknown heirs at law or devisees. TO: WOODROW RAYMOND CARCO AND VIOLA E. CARCO, if alive, who are believed to be non-residents of the state of Mississippi, whose last known address was 184 Rancho Drive, Auburn, CA 95603, but whose present address, both post office and street, are unknown after diligent search and inquiry, and if dead, their unknown heirs at law or devisees. TO: AND ALL OTHER PERSONS having or claiming to have any legal or equitable interest in and to the following described lands:

Lot 1 and 42 Block 133, SHORELINE PARK SUBDIVISION, Unit 7, Addition 3, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of said subdivision of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
Lot 16 and 17, Block 139, SHORELINE PARK SUBDIVISION, Unit 7, Addition 3, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of said subdivision of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
Lot 8, Block 338, SHORELINE PARK SUBDIVISION, Unit 3, Addition 1, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of said subdivision of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
Lot 9, Block 338, SHORELINE PARK SUBDIVISION, Unit 3, Addition 1, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of said subdivision of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
Lot 15, Block 103, BAYSIDE PARK SUBDIVISION, Unit 1, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of said subdivision of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
Lot 49, Block 112, BAYSIDE PARK SUBDIVISION, Unit 1, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of said subdivision of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
Lot 38, Block 208, BAYSIDE PARK SUBDIVISION, Unit 1, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of said subdivision of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
Lot 68, Block 217, BAYSIDE PARK SUBDIVISION, Unit 1, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of said subdivision of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
Lot 32, Block 234, BAYSIDE PARK SUBDIVISION, Unit 1, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of said subdivision of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
Lot 12, 13, 42 and 43, Block 303, BAYSIDE PARK SUBDIVISION, Unit 5, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of said subdivision of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
Lots 25 and 26, Block 309, BAYSIDE PARK SUBDIVISION, Unit 5, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of said subdivision of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
Lots 34 and 35, Block 1, WAYLAND GATEWAY SUBDIVISION, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of said subdivision of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
You have been made defendant in the lawsuit filed in this Court by WILLIS A. BOURGEOIS, Plaintiff, whose address is 946 Hwy. 90, Waveland, MS 39576.

The Complaint filed against you has initiated a civil action alleging legal ownership of the above described property and seeking to quiet and confirm title. You are required to file with the Clerk of this Court a written Answer either admitting or denying each allegation in the Complaint, and in addition a copy of your written answer should be either mailed or hand delivered to WILLIS A. BOURGEOIS, Plaintiff, whose address is 946 Hwy. 90, Waveland, MS 39576.

YOUR ANSWER MUST BE FILED NO LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS FROM THE 9TH DAY OF MARCH, A.D., 1997, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR ANSWER IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMAND IN THE COMPLAINT.

Witness my signature and official seal this 4th day of March, 1997.
(SEAL)

Timothy A. Kellar
Clerk of Court
Kim Bonano
Deputy Clerk
3-9; 3-16; 3-23-97

Public Notice

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, BAY ST. LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI
IN RE: THE ADOPTION OF THE MINOR CHILD NAMED IN THE PETITION
DIANA SCHWALL, RESPONDENT
SUMMONS
CAUSE NO. (A) 97-0081
(Service by Publication)
(Residence Unknown)

TO: Diana Schwall, whose last known address was 1309 S. Rock Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana 70117, but whose present address is unknown. You have been made a Respondent in the lawsuit in this Court. The Complaint filed against you has initiated a civil action seeking adoption of the minor child named in the petition.

You are required to mail or hand deliver a copy of a written Answer either admitting or denying each allegation in the Complaint to Ann Glaw Lazzara, Plaintiff's Attorney, whose address is Post Office Drawer 300, Waveland, Mississippi 39576.

Your answer must be mailed or delivered not later than thirty days after the 9th day of March, 1997, which is the date of the first publication of this summons. If your answer is not so mailed or delivered, a judgment by default may be entered against you for the money or other relief demanded in the complaint.

You must also file the original of your Answer with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time after the date of the first publication of this summons.

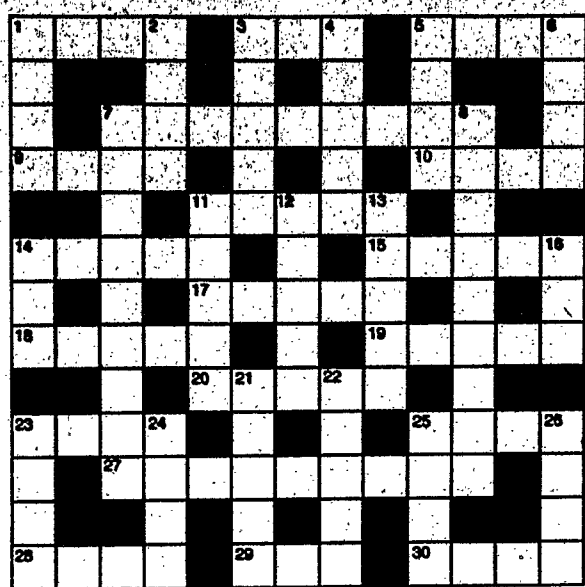
Witness my signature and official seal this 4th day of March, 1997.
(SEAL)

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
HANCOCK COUNTY
EXECUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS
OF Estate of Sophie U. Herlihy
NO. 970139

Letters testamentary having been granted on the 20th day of February, 1997, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned Executor of the Estate of Sophie U. Herlihy, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of this Court for probate and registration according to law, within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this notice, or they will be forever barred.

TRAVEL & ENTERTAINMENT

128-THE SEA COAST ECHO-SUNDAY, MARCH 9, 1997



CLUES ACROSS

- Wise
- Latest thing
- Growl
- Gathered
- Digits
- Extinct
- Gather
- Woven furniture material
- Knock over
- Countertop
- Baseball collector's items
- Extensive land
- Moses' older brother
- Hard outer layer
- Fit of anger
- Subject of an experiment
- Relay, for one
- Helps little firms
- Louis

SOLUTIONS ACROSS

- Sage
- Fad
- Roar
- Collected
- Toes
- Dead
- Ratan
- Alms
- Acres
- Aaron
- Rind
- Snit
- Guinea pig
- Race
- SBA
- Oafs

CLUES DOWN

- Screen
- Selves
- Latin for thread
- Verandas
- Walter Hospital
- Surprise attack
- Concentrating
- Knuckling under
- Anthropod genus
- Up and about
- Girl's name
- Mythological bird
- Tooth care giver, abbr.
- De Mille, dancer
- Central Florida city
- Stern
- One who is swindled
- Bin for grain storage
- Chits

SOLUTIONS DOWN

- Sort
- Egos
- Filum
- Decks
- Reed
- Raid
- Centering
- Deferring
- Anasa
- Astir
- Susan
- Roc
- DDS
- Agnes
- Ocala
- Rear
- Dupe
- Silo
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Clarksdale Blues Festival

Blues legends Big Jack Johnson and Robert Jr. Lockwood will headline Clarksdale's Spring Break Blues Alley Festival March 14-15.

Opening the festival Friday in the Clarksdale Civic Auditorium at 7 p.m. will be The Dave Thompson Band. Describing Dave Thompson, Fat Possum/Capricorn Records states, "From the first crying phrase of Dave Thompson's guitar, his command, passion and intensity propel him to the forefront of contemporary blues guitarists."

Headlining the events on Friday night will be Big Jack Johnson and The Oilers. Born in Lambert, Miss., Johnson gained prominence in the 50's and 60's as a member of the Nighthawks with Frank Frost and Sam Carr. The three often backed Sonny Boy Williamson, Robert Nighthawk and Jimmy Reed.

In the 70's Big Jack was with the critically acclaimed Jelly Roll Kings and in the 80's and early 90's went on to record several solo albums.

In 1994 Johnson was honored with the Living Blues

Award for Best Live Performer and again in 1995 as Most Outstanding Blues Musician.

M. C.'s Blue Roots Catalog describes Johnson's style as "a blending of blues and country influences into a tasty musical elixir spiced by his full-bodied roadhouse singing."

Well known in the Delta is James "Super Chikan" Johnson who will kick off the Saturday night entertainment. One of the area's most colorful and original blues musicians who has given up driving his 18-wheeler to concentrate on his musical career, Johnson is known for making his guitar cackle like a chicken and has been performing for over 40 years.

Appearances include festivals, clubs, special events, several documentaries and he has entertained foreign visitors to the area. He is currently working on his first album.

Robert Jr. Lockwood will take the stage Saturday. He is cited as having a major influence on the careers of a variety of blues greats, including B. B. King and Muddy Waters.

Lockwood learned to play Delta blues directly from the Mississippi Delta blues king, Robert Johnson, who was his

stepfather and mentor.

In 1941, they made blues history on KFFA's radio program King Biscuit Time. Through the years Lockwood has become a club and festival favorite with a wide audience of fans both at home and abroad. He is a regular at Helena's King Biscuit Blues Festival each October.

In addition to the concerts there will be live blues entertainment in a number of blues clubs in the area. Admission will be \$15 for a weekend ticket which covers two concerts and includes those clubs both nights.

In the event someone only wants to visit the clubs there will be a cover charge at each club for those not possessing a weekend ticket.

Local clubs offering blues entertainment on Friday and Saturday night: Crossroads, Red's, Rivermount, Hopson Preservation Co., Smitty's and Fleetwood's.

The renowned Delta Blues Museum joins the festival in offering a lineup of free entertainment on Saturday, March 15 from 1-4 p.m. On tap will be Dr. Mike and the Interns, J. B. & the Midnighters and the Wesley Jefferson Band.

Science fiction festival

The 20th annual CoastCon, a science fiction, fantasy and gaming convention, will be held the weekend of March 20-23 at the Mississippi Gulf Coast Coliseum in Biloxi.

Admission is by membership, and memberships are sold at the door for \$40 for the four days of the convention. The event will include dealers' room, panels, 24-hour video rooms, movie room, live action role-playing, miniature gaming, 24-hour gaming, tournament gaming, computer gaming, writing contest, art contest, costume contest, hospitality suite, art show and sale, miniature painting contest, charity auction, dances and much more.

The media guest of honor is Richard Hatch, who played Apollo in the television series Battlestar Galactica. The artist guests of honor are Frank Kelly Freas and Laura Brodian Freas, award-winning artists. The fan guest of honor is Frank Schiavo, long-time CoastCon supporter and science fiction fan.

CoastCon's host hotel is the Broadwater Beach Resort East (across from the President Casino on US Hwy. 90).

Coast-Con's charity this year is the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Mississippi, who will be the recipient of all funds collected at the charity auction. Additionally, CoastCon will be helping some children identified by the Mark-A-Wish Foundation at attend this year's convention.

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Museum to host summer art camps

The Walter Anderson Museum of Art has collaborated with professional storyteller Chris Vinsonhaler to offer two new art camps, "Inspire!" and "New Waves."

"Inspire!" is a full-day storytelling camp for children 8-14, while "New Waves" is a half-day camp designed to introduce young people to the excitement of contemporary art.

The camp sessions will occur on different weeks so that parents can choose one or both options for their children. A fee discount is available if children are registered on or before March 17. For information on either session, call 872-3164.

"New Waves: The Flow of Modern Art" continues the visual arts tradition of the museum's summer programs, introducing children to the ideas, techniques and movements of modern art and to the creativity that has shaped the way we look at the world. Each session is tailored to specific age groups, and is held from 9 a.m.-noon.

Session I: June 9-13 for children who have completed grades 1 or 2.

Session II: June 23-27 for children who have completed grades 3 or 4.

Session III: July 7-11 for children who have completed grades 5 or 6.

A new high school session will be held 2-4 p.m.:

Session IV: July 7-11, grades 9-12

Cost for each session is \$50, which includes all supplies. A 10% discount is offered for registration on or before March 17. All sessions are limited to 30 participants, so early registration is recommended.

WAMA offers two summer camps

This camp is inspired by "CrossCurrents," the museum's first Biennial Juried Exhibition of Contemporary Art which will be held Sept. 13-Oct. 19.

"Inspire!" expands the museum's summer programs into the language arts by offering a storytelling day camp for children 8-14, directed by professional storyteller Chris Vinsonhaler. "Inspire!" involves participants in games, nature science and the arts as a springboard for creativity in storytelling.

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457-1492
Chicken Place Hwy 630 & 90, Waveland
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VEGAS VACATION
Mon. Fri. 7-9:30, Sat. Sun. 2:30-5:15

DAVIDS PEAK
Mon. Fri. 7-9:30, Sat. Sun. 2:30-5:15

AMERICAN PRISON
Mon. Fri. 7-9:30, Sat. Sun. 2:30-5:15

TRAVEL NOTES



TOM BURNS

Dec. 6

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